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#### Morning Tonic

(Burton.)

THE death of Sereno E. Payne has led many newspapers to allude to the "Old Guard" naughtiness, the stepmother of discipline, the chief author of all mischief, one of the seven deadly sins, the cushion upon which the devil chiefly reposes, and a great cause not only of melanchely, but of many other diseases; for the mind is naturally active, and, if it is not occupied about some honest business, it rushes into mischief, or sinks into melancholy.

## Uncle Walt Mason

WINNING smile distorts my phia, e'en while the jumping rheumatiz is scorch ing through my bones; for I discovered long ago it doesn't pay to voice one's woe, and fill sir with groans, Not Spartan is this soul of mine; by nature I'm inclined to whine, when I am sick or sore; my impulse

PER ASPERA is to tear my hair, to shed the bring and to swear, and make myself a bore. Experience has shown to me that if a man wants sympathy, when he is out of back, he'll make the scalding teardrops cease a-rolling down his frontispiece, and show some igns of pluck. And sympathy, my friends, is sweet, when one has colle in his feet, or gout all up his back; 'tis good to see his friends come in and praise him for his cheerful grin that does not lump the track. The man who grins and bears his pain in course of time will surely gain a fine and fair renown; the story of his daunt less front when rheumatism did its stant, will travel over town. The men will say he is a jo, state and they have a right to be it is because he faces pain and woe with culm and stendfast eye; and lovely dames will bring him jam, and chicken broth and deviled ham, and slubs of pumpkin pic. No, selfishly, I jog along. and try to creak a cheerful song, and stop the flow of brine; and as I hobble on my crutch, I say. "They don't amount to much, these dog, gone aches of mine!"

cheates that the "spugs" made a sorry showing

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sees the torget boost that it has sent of all Cleberal fligh is Scott in the best man po-

protecting the horder that the administration

has found ye. An exchange says that Mr Ginora Physical ascilnes to talk for publication. Evidently got

Mr. Pinchot confused with some other person. The Czar and the Kaiser must leave the

battle front a good deal, otherwise their fre- approved methods quent returns would be hard to account for Richmond reports the largest bank dividends

in its history which indicates that the hard times at all events have not reached the bankers.

Russis has given Japan half an island for some guns. Not such a bad exchange. An English King once offered a kingdom for a

"A great many plans are being suggested to abolish poverty, but until laziness is abolished poverty is sure to flourish." Never mind the hookworm is being put out of the running-

The Atlanta Constitution presents a picture of a man who makes his living catching rats. If there really is any money in catching rats, there is a fortune for somebody in Raleigh

Wherever a community Christmas tree was held it proved such a success that sentiment is universal in favor of a repeat. There is fascination about making others happy

One of the best cartoons of the scuson we that one which represented old Sunta as de slaring that the parcel post had the remisecbeat all hollow for getting him around with

Reteemed contemporary is discussing the Bristmas reaction. The right sort of a christto correct his Christmas and then the problem of the reacation will not tex him-

Or, Metchnikoff says drive tuttermill, one con will live to a rigor old ago. For Wiley a vis more vielding to impulse?" your milk will not previou old ag it the

Richmond Virginian records that which we figure was conjumed in Merchanian spirch less dipped out of the State during to Christian remoon than was the case last year. The old Deminion is going out of the binding hards press. House is dying granefully

calling for the hist few days. The poor who would probably have involved a Kuropean na found their lot anything but happy Money prevailed. And while the exercise of patience donated to they Associated Chariti's for wood cheeriess for the want of warmin.

#### NEEDED IN THE STATE.

There are many matters of the greatest in terest to North Carolina to be considered by the incoming General Assembly, matters which have to do with the system of taxation and revenue, matters which have to do with the insurance policy of the State, matters which have to do with education and roads. And of the greatest importance is also the matter of the relation of the people to the form in which they shall be authorized to name for office the

men whom they desire to be party candidates. We have heard much in North Carolina in recent years of the need of a Statewide primary for the naming of all elective officers, na tional, State, and county. That this should be allowed the people by legislation is a matter which appeals to this paper as the wisest thing which could be done. In the finality it is the people of a party who are called upon to elect the party nominees to office, and if the people of the various parties are not to select the men for whom they will vote, then there is some thing wrong in the elective system.

North Carolina needs a State-wide primary properly safeguarded by a corrupt practices act which would give every protection of law in the naming of party candidates. These two things are linked together, one department upon the other, so that the voice of the members of a party may be correctly recorded in the naming of the men of their choice for office.

The Democratic party is the real party of the people, and there should never come a day when it should not place every trust and confidence in the people who make up the party. If there is agreement in the party that national, and State, and congressional and judicial officers should be named directly by the people in primary elections, then it follows logically that the people of a county should be empowered to name directly the men who are to be the party candidates.

There will be no mistake made by the Legis lature of 1915 if it make into law a State-wide primar) protected by a corrupt practices act for sat in fifteen different congresses. all parties for all elective offices. The passage of such a law would be one that would empha cratic party. In a very few days the members of the General Assembly will be in Raleigh in servion, and they should come to this city with well defined views upon this matter and with determination to carry out the will of the people who sent them to the capital to make laws. That this will is by an immense majority in favor of a State wide primary we have not the slightest doubt. The passage of such a law will be approved by the voice of the people throughout the State

as it can teach other States some things in it can learn some things from the other con non-wealths of the nation

The State of Kannas should be able to give some pointers to almost any States in the ua tion in the industry of agriculture. Kanna rained in 1914, twice to much wheat as her nearest competitor, and thirteen per cent more State \$69 63.920 The cents of the word \$50,220 147, and the other crops in proper the total being \$256.35.718 bander and the grand total of farm products and five stock is the amount sum of \$638,223,297. Kanses has a population of 1,672,106, or

who know how to farm according to the most

The Kansas Creed is worth repeating in this obnection, as if may have a bearing on the question of how Kenses manages to put it over" It follows

"We believe to Kunsas, in the glory of her prairies, in the richness of her soil. beauty of her skies, and in the healthfulness

"We believe in the Kansas people, in their sturds faith and abounding onthusiasm, it their patriotism and their fidelity to the good things of civilization, in their respect for new and their love of justice, in their courage and zeal, in their independence, and in their devotion to uplifting influences in education and religion.

We believe in Kansas institutions in the Kansas language and in Kansas ideals, in her cleanliness of society, and in her demands that honor, sobriety and respect be maintained in public and private life, in her marvelous pro ductiveness and in her wondrous future

#### THE VIRTUE OF PATIENCE.

The Columbia State finds in recent events in the vicinity of Naco justification for President Wilson's policy of patience and watchful wait ug. With cure and a true willingness to suc rifice a desire to doctor to the healing processes of time." says the State, "it is wonderful how. far nationes can be stretched. Certainly it was stretched at Naco as it has been for a year and half through all manner of Mexican provo

- And the Columbia paper asks a very sugmas has no reaction and we advise our friends, sestive question when it inquires. "Have those who have become impatient at the patience shown towards Mexico ever seriously consid ered how much more and longer pattence would hate been necessary had there been more hasto,

it block like a fearful thing and a thing health expects would only act and a part knight to be borne that American citizens should loss their lives under circumstances such as nest affect we the border city which has figured we largely in the newspaper disputches lately but the window of the poster of making the loses of a that situation rather than stelding to the natural imposes of reacting to radical mounter-to- been amply down. There have years. You'thus he would have feel his neural beet tumerous combinations of circumstances R has been bitter weather that has one a pre- coming out of the tangled Mexican altuation that buy wood in small quantities have endoubtedly tion similarly placed in war. But patience has is always rekeame and sometimes exasperating. as devoted to a been worthy purpose and the the sort of patience that this country is Charity Board, be it remembered, is getting exercising with Mexico is not to be compared A CLEVER YOUNG CONNECTICUE LAWYER. more calls than it can most. Haleigh should in its disagreeable qualities with the patience reduce to a minimum the number of home which the enhanced nations of Murue will

peace is finally arrived at begin the stdifficult climb back into the state of achievement which they had reached with world war was undertaken. The Statthis sensibly observes:

"Have those who have become impa-

the patience shown toward Mexico et jously considered how much more and been more haste, more yielding to in. Patience was strained in Europe last s and it snapped so suddenly that it mil most be supposed that had the weath been so hot, it might have been strett little further. Yet the long patience that many breaks down in a war is the prelude to an even longer and more painful patience dragging toward peace. It is for men and nations to remember how much can be avoided by the will avoid it, and to learn by experience how sany in time seems the most difficult avoidance. Knowing this is the philosophy of patience, which nine times out of ten is exercised against the inclination only to be justified by the event

## Savoyard's Letter

THE LATE FATHER OF THE HOUSE.

PDLENESS is the badge of the gentry, the bane of body and mind, the nurse of of the Republican party in the national House of Representatives of whom Mr. Payne was a dis-..., sisavu number, and the only one of them holding a seat in the Sixty third Congress Among them were John Daizell, Joseph G. Cannon, Charles H. Grosvenor, William P. Hep-burn, Ebenezer J. Hill, William Lorimer, A. J. Hopkins, J. A. Hemenway, John F. Lacey, Charles Curtis, James A. Tawney, L. M. Quing, David Their real leader B. Henderson, and others was at the other end of the capitol edifice and his name was Nelson W. Aldrich

Mr. Payne was a helpless mediocrity. Rep. resenting the old Auburn district, home of William H. Seward, his constituency were conser vative to a degree and they kept Mr. Payne in Congress from 1882 to his death in 1914, ex cept the term of the Fiftieth Congress, 1887-89; for which he was defeated. He was also mem berelect to the Sixty-fourth Congress. Thus he was one of the very few of our public men who

There was nothing brilliant about Screnc E. Payne. An abler man than Dave Henderson, he was inferior in mental equipment to Joe second time. Mr. Payne was senior of his party on Ways and Means, but a tariff was to be ooked up and Reed transferred Nelson Dingley from Appropriations to Ways and Means, gave him the chairmanship and the leadership of the House that attaches to that position, though James R. Mann, the very capable leader of the minority in the present House and the last pre eding one, was never a member of Ways and Meanin

Pifty sixth Congress because Joe Liannet had been "sound" on the eleomagarine tax, about as infamous a tax as even a tax can get to be. Payne then became chairman of Ways and Ways and Means, which position he continued to hold under Cannon, or for ten years in all, when the Democrate came in and he gave way to congr title master in estimational ter this last t'mterwood. Republican tariff, but that law was made by the manufacturers who had for spokesman

"The Old Guard" weeded a wide swath They were aponeor for the Dingley tarfff and the Payne fariff, under which the monopolistic rusts like Steel waxed opulent and oppresidve. There is the Steel Trust, capitalized at \$1,500. 900,000, mostly water. Water in stocks, in morals, is on the same footing as counterfeit bank currency, and should be on the same foot ing with forgery in law if there had never een any water in corporation stocks, relirond bates to our country, cut in half, would yield as docks is the chief feat of political economy as mes of Morgan, Barriman, the Vanderbilts, The exploitation of the New Haven dailroad was the legitimate fruit of Republican state

Mr. Payne died in the hone that his part would again come into power in 1916 and but to work revising the larm up. There is no doubt that the Republicans are greatly elated. though Uncle Cannon tells them that it is by the next quadrennial grand inquest of the na Assaults that are now made on the Wi tion. on administration are the dirtiest that ever ame under my observation at this capita Much depends on the intelligence of the elector rate, and if lying will turn the trick for them there is no beating the "party of Great Mora ideals" at the game

I pon the death of Mr Payne, Mr Jones of Virginia, became the "father of the House," listinction that fails to the member of Congress of longest continuous service. When I first came here "Pig Iron" Kelley of Pennsylvania, was father of the House. He took great pride in it and he was not to be adversely criticized all the duty that falls to the father of the House is his selection to administer the outh of office o the Speaker, though when a President of the United States is on trial by the Senate sitting a court of impeachment, the entire member ship if the House, headed by the "father, solemnly Unarches daily over to the Senafchamber to add to the solemnity of the procoedings Ellhu Washborne was the father whon Andrew Johnson was tried.

"Pig Iron" had a good deal of affection shout him. In delicate health, he could never ask to be excused from attendance on a nigh continu without dramatically bearesting his "cheeldren" to conduct themselves beseemingly his absence. When he died his rolleague Charles o' Neill, succeeded to the fathership and had a row with William S. Holman as in his right to the title. Holman had served lenger ut not continuously. Trist decided for Homan and was sworn in by him, but two years later reversed himself and O'Netl was chose: for that duty. C'Neil died and his colleague Harmer, succeeded as father, and he in turn was succeeded by Harry tangham. Thus for many years Pennsylvania had the distinction and all of the fathers failed from Philicieiphia

A wese old town, the Quaker City Kelley had a life lense on his sent and his duty to look after the tariff. In this he was helped by Sam thindall. O'Neil looked after the many ard. Harmer after the Chibsdeiphia mint, and Bingham after the Philadelphia postublice None had any other dath except to vole with the party on all party questions and note was

out to any anxiety as to reelection Of college Randall was an exception. He was a Democrat on all questions other than the tariff and his tariff views cost him the Presi dency; though had be been a Democrat on that question he would not have represented a Philadelphia district in Conferent for hearly thirty

Washington December 2 th

# New News of Yesterday

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# Racy of the Soil

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THE SOLDIER'S DREAM

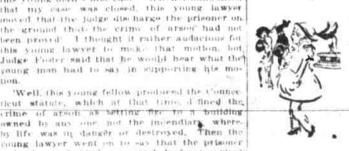
Polite Postmaster

superform in his knowledge of parliamentary law. Mr know White, who has recently charling and his big park poster. He was recent judge of the superior court of described the responsibilities as as established. Frank Fooshe, who has tended judge of the superior court of sistant posturaster had always been just retained from a trip through the manufacture of the superior court of the superior co is court held at (New Haven, Judge Fester had goods and that he must push his his court hold at New thisten. Judge reserved on the experience which he afterward described to the district attenties from New thisten county as without any parallel, he believed in the his time will deliver the stickers and they of criminal fursprudence in the United. Now isn't there something else

Nash County Farmers in Good.

Nasaviile Graphic Some of our former friends are ticked in their sleeves when they hear percentage of the "poor farmers" ad as much "money in their feans as they have now, war or to war. It is true, many of them only mayo a tively none, yet taken as a whole, there's more money among the far-mers of Nash county today than ever district afternes said "that the incident to before, which he referred is one which should be known Practic And why shouldn't take for instance, men! - TET: tobacco, have lard, butter, chickens eggs pointees and all other articles, except cotton. Many of them are not only able to hold, their own cotton A man was indicted for arson. The out some of them are talking about n which he had itsed several years. There was t put to att my insurance upon the house. I put in all my buying some at providence, and it seemed as though the jury planting any next

## Smile and Be Happy



Mrs. Grasswidow looks ever so much younger since she secured

RENO-VATED.

her divorce. Yes, It's a re Reno-vation.

GIVING TO under the common law a lease of that kind and, the man who had a substantially the SISTER. were of the place. The only thing he could not do was to also little but he could sell the Well Willie. what are you gonies. Then the Young man went un to see ing to give your little mister her birthday? The mumps, 1 guess. Last year wave her the

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#### Go & Was a= Sayin'

"I was interested in noting in who you had to say in the 'As I Was A Saying solumn about Commissioner of Agraciane C. J. Watson, of South the conclude that pork posters are the line only ones that have been gotten our bust- in South Carolina. There are winter coverago poster, small-grain post ers, deep-plowing posters, poultr offs, deep-plowing posters, poultry Dosters and other kinds of posters. In fact South Carolina is one great big aggregation of posters.

to the windows of stores, particu-birly those that happen to be vacant and in all other conspicuous place these posters are to be seen. In the work Commissioner Watson, who by the way is a very tive official has had the expression of "pits for the poor the active and very valuable covopera-farmer. Why bless your soil honey, ton of Mr. W. W. Long State Demon-there never was a time when so large stration Agent, and the two and their conductor diversified farming in South

suits of this unique advertising cam-paign from the fact that in one coun-y where scarcely any wheat has been grown to fore a thousand bushels of

The poster in my judgment is far facts before the farmers and for muckng an impression that will be follow-ed by action. No amount of balletine could have waked the farmers of earth Carolina as those flaming post-. . . .

"I am delighted to know that Mr. Thomas Mott Osborne is to attend the Social Service Conference and make an address," said Mr. Erwin A. Holt, of Burlington, yesterday. "It will be a crivilege to hear Mr. Osborne

"I have great faith in him. When man of wealth voluntarily underhim. When takes prison reform, assuming the nerous duties and responsibilities of a prison warden as Mr. Osborne has lone, it looks to me that that man is earrest. I believe that Mr. Osborne's influ-

nee for prison pelorm in this country scoing to be very great. The Social ervice Conference is to be gongratiated on securing the promise of Varden Orderne to come to Raleigh."

Mr. Floit, who is in the cotion mill misiness was asked to the outlook for cotton mills. He replied that he flooght he saw some signs of im-provement. The mills have been in provement. The mills have been in hard lines, he said. It is true that cotton has been very low, but the most of the nulls have not been able to sorrow the money needed to enable them to bay in large stocks of cotton Bestles, as seen as cotton goes down, the militar expected to sell its product at a correspondingly lower price. But I hope better times are shead for everybody.

Mr. Franklin Sherman, Jr. State Untomologist, has been giving some thought to the question of giving. He goods among the old saying "Charity regins at home to make it read

"Never before in the lives of those on tring he says, have suffering oil want been so nearly world-wide and the most for general charity so d the med for general charity so were. At home many are gut of work, oftone millions are homeless, stary-a and dring from call manner of more and neglect.

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If you do this and give in a truly
accorded sided, you will not be wonso cling whether you will get the money than the worth of it back. The worth of it back. The white unto the harvest—why stand up here idle?

Pomorros Dr. Edwards will telt or The move to display as tollromely they shall, when ore, President of the United States Andrew Generous Act of a Brave Soldier."