

### Mr. Finley's New Plan.

Charlotte Chronicle.

President Faley, of the Southern Railroad Company, has made another move tending to bring about better relations between his roads and the public. In an address to the general public and patrons of the Southern in which he says that for the purpose of securing speedy and satisfactory settlement of claim against the road for loss or damage or overcharge in the handling of freights, the Southern Railway Company has organized and placed in service a corps of traveling agents to examine and audit claims in the premises, and it will be their duty to travel continuously in the respective territories assigned to them. The special duties assigned to these officials are thus set forth:

"First—To secure the prompt handling and settlement of all fair and honest loss, damage and over charge freight claims against the company.

"Second—To give assurance of this to the patrons of the company by prompt, courteous and efficient attention to their rights.

"Third—To prevent accumulations of freight claims and over any refused freight at stations and reconcile as far and promptly as possible all over freights and shortages.

"Fourth—To educate local agents to the highest degree of efficiency in treating with patrons in respect to their transactions with them, both in respect to the handling of freight at the stations and the prompt payment or deductions of freight claims."

It looks to us that this is a pretty good idea and ought to be productive of good results. There is much for these traveling agents to do along the line of duty assigned them. President Faley has given evidence already that he intends to conduct the affairs of his road on a progressive policy and with a view to the fullest recognition of the right of shippers and travelers.

In 1897 I had a stomach disease. Some physicians said Dyspepsia, some Consumption. One said I could not live until spring. For four years I existed on boiled milk, soda biscuits, and doctor's prescriptions. I could not digest anything I ate; then I picked up one of your Almanacs and it happened to be my lifesaver. I bought a fifty-cent bottle of Kodol and the benefit I received from that bottle all the gold in Georgia could not buy. In two months I went back to my work as a machinist, and in three months I was well and hearty. May you live long and prosper.—C. N. Corwell, Roddig, Ga., 1906. The above is only a sample of the great good that is daily done everywhere by Kodol For Dyspepsia. It is sold here by T. R. Abernethy and R. P. Freeze.

Paragraphs from the Durham Herald.

Some of the supposed leaders can already see their holds slipping.

It is perhaps just as well that the committee found out no more than it did.

Everything considered the trusts fared a little better than the railroads.

As soon as they forget about it they will be satisfied with all that the Legislature did.

We are at least no longer in doubt as to what became of the Populist party in this State.

When we think of the things that the Legislature could have done and didn't do we should perhaps be thankful.

The real fun will come when they get ready to decide on the location of the normal and industrial college for the east.

It may be that there was nothing in those charges but you will have to admit that there were suspicious circumstances.

Heretofore, when a man did not want to take it he was promptly read out of the party, but there are now too many of them.

You fellows who propose to read the riot act to the next State convention had best make certain beforehand that you are going to get what you want.

### Worked Like a Charm

Mr. D. N. Walker, editor of that spicy "Oracle," the Enterprise, Louis, Va. "Says: I was a well my foot last week and at one o'clock my back was aching. Non inflammation followed; the pain was in the back of the head, very sore and skin disease. Guaranteed at T. R. Abernethy Druggist 25c.

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### Good Luck For Thaw.

Charlotte Chronicle.

Mr. Thos. W. Andrews, who has been sojourning in eastern North Carolina brings in a most interesting story back with him from Laurinburg, the old home of Mr. John Charles McNeil.

The story is highly interesting because it has to do with Harry Thaw, upon whom the eyes of the whole country are focused, and who a North Carolina man, a stalwart blacksmith, who is a friend of Thaw's cause which is now being made the center of a great legal battle.

Harry K. Thaw will no doubt be forcibly impressed with the fact that he has strong sympathizers at least in North Carolina when he receives a great iron horse-shoe from a North Carolina man, with two little knots of blue tied about the ends of the big shoe. The Good Luck significance of the horse-shoe has been taken advantage of by Key Ritch, a progressive citizen of Laurinburg, who has made a shoe, seventeen inches wide and eighteen inches long, to send to Harry Thaw in New York, with the wishes of the sender that the big shoe, large enough to encircle a small man, will bring to the receiver good fortune, equally large as fortune goes, as the shoe is large compared with the average-size shoe.

The big shoe was made by Ritch with his own hands, and shaped by him and the little bow of blue ribbon was significant of something too, as he had seen it much in evidence at the fairs and other similar places that he had attended.

Ritch's inventive genius has attracted much attention and hundreds of people in North Carolina will wait to hear how Ritch's unique present is received.

### Found At Last.

J. A. Harmon, of Lenoir, West Va., says: "At last I have found the perfect pill that never disappoints me, and for the benefit of others afflicted with torpid liver and chronic constipation, will say, take Dr. Kinne's New Life Pill." Guaranteed satisfactory, at T. R. Abernethy 25 cents. Druggist.

### The Stove.

Tit-Bits.

The following story is being told of a certain celebrated Parisian doctor, whose domestic relations are said to be not altogether satisfactory. He was called in one day to prescribe for a lady who thought she had influenza. But the doctor, after observing her symptoms, looked about the room in order to discover the cause.

Suddenly he perceived the stove, a very beautiful work of art, and exclaimed: "My dear madam, that stove is the cause of your trouble; it is filling your room with poisonous gas, and if you continue to use it it will end by killing you."

"But, Doctor, it cost me 120 francs."

"No matter; better lose your money than your health."

But, as the lady still seemed unconvinced, the doctor added:

"I will give you one quarter the price, and see if I cannot get rid of the thing."

So the stove departed, and later on the patient was changing her apartments and went to look at some others that were being vacated. In one of the rooms she inspected she recognized her former stove.

"Who is living here?" she inquired. "Mine. G—, the mother-in-law of the famous Dr. —," was the reply.

With a smile of understanding the lady left.

### Where He Wasnipped.

Ladies' Home Journal.

"As the new minister of the village was on his way to evening service he met a rising young man of the place whom he was anxious to have become an active member of the church.

"Good evening my young friend," he said solemnly, "do you ever attend a place of worship?"

"Yes, indeed, sir; regularly every Sunday night," replied the young fellow with a smile. "I am on my way to see her now."

### Mr. Cleveland's Host.

Wash ton Herald.

Grover Cleveland is on his annual visit to his old friend, Gen. E. P. Alexander, in South Carolina. Between this fine old survivor of the baronial days of the South and the former President there is a bond of friendship of long standing, former when Mr. Cleveland first came to the White House, more than 20 years ago, and when Gen. Alexander was one of the few Southern visitors who did not want an office. The South Carolinian owns splendid estates along the coast, much of it island properties, where the hunting and fishing are especially good at this season. When Mr. Cleveland goes there he is as completely cut off from the world as was Robinson Crusoe. With gun and rod he has trawled acres to bustle in and the sea and inlets for his own.

Gen Alexander is a West Point honor graduate. When the civil war broke out he was stationed with his command on the Pacific coast. Resigned from the army, he made his way back to South Carolina, where he cast his fortunes with the Confederacy. At the close of the war he was Gen. Lee's chief engineer. Gen. Alexander is now writing a series of articles on the great battles of the civil war, which are attracting the attention of military students all over the world. During the last Cleveland administration he was appointed by the President as arbitrator in the boundary dispute between Nicaragua and Costa Rica, for which service he was paid a large honorarium by the two governments involved. He frequently visits old family friends in that part of Washington known as Georgetown.

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### The Golden Egg.

The New York Weekly is responsible for the following specimen of arithmetic as seen through rose colored glasses:

Father—Now, see here! If you marry that young pauper, how on earth are you going to live?

Sweet Girl—Oh, we have figured that all out. You remember that old hen my aunt gave me?

"Yes."

"Well, I have been reading a poultry circular, and I find that a good hen will raise twenty chicks in a season. Well, the next season that will be twenty hens, and as each will raise twenty more chicks, that will be four hundred and twenty. The next year the number will be eight hundred four hundred, the following year one hundred and sixty-eight thousand! Just think, at only 50 cents apiece, we will have \$1,580,000. Then you, dear old father, we'll lend you some money to pay off the mortgage on this house!"

### How One Ghost Was Laid.

New York World.

Sir, William Henry Perkins, the inventor of many coal tar dyes, was talking in New York before he sailed for England, about the Psychological Research Society.

"Crookes and some other scientists go in for 'psychical research,'" he said, "though I confess that to me the subject makes no great appeal.

"Personally I have come in contact, during a fairly long career, with but one ghost story. Its hero was a man whom I'll call Snooks.

"Snooks, visiting at a country house was put in the haunted chamber for the night. He said he felt no uneasiness; nevertheless he took to bed with him a revolver of the latest American pattern.

"He fell asleep without difficulty, but as the clock was striking 2 he awoke with a strange feeling of oppression.

"Lifting his head, he peered about him. The room was wanly illuminated by the full moon, and in that weird, bluish light he saw a small hand clasping the rail at the foot of the bed.

"Who's there?" he demanded, tremulously.

"There was no reply. The hand did not move.

"Who's there?" said Snooks again. "Answer or I'll shoot."

"Again there was no reply and Snooks sat up cautiously, took careful aim, and fired.

"He jumped from that night on, for he shot off two of his own toes."

### Intensive Farming.

Charlotte Chronicle.

The intensive system of farming is becoming every year, and more noticeable every year," said a well known Charlotte merchant to-day, discussing the tendency of the farmers of Mecklenburg county to invest in more fertilizers than formerly, on a basis of pounds per acre.

The farmers are coming to the conclusion that it pays better to put more fertilizers on the ground and if anything the disposition of the majority is to get as much cotton and corn as possible out of each acre, and not undertake to get large returns simply by planting greater acreage.

Fertilizer sales for the month are showing a decided increase on account of the fact that cotton planting time is almost here and the farmers are making ready to get their cotton plants by the first of April this year, if the seasons are favorable.

It is too early yet to estimate the acreage, and whether there will be a great variation from last year's acreage, but the members of the Cotton Growers Association are disposed to be of the belief that the farmers will keep down the acreage this year as much as possible this bring one of the chief tenets of the association—to decrease the acreage.

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### Melody Choir.

as he called himself, has real name being Melchoir, died in Seattle recently a bachelor, and left \$150,000, all of which is to be expended, according to a 145 page will he left, in the erection of a mausoleum.

### Hole in the Watch Key.

Minneapolis Journal.

"The queerest patent?" said the attorney. "Well, the queerest patent I know of was the patent of a hole.

"An old farmer out St. Louis way patented a hole, and what is more, he made a lot of money on it now, though it isn't worth the paper it is written on.

"This farmer one morning in the dim past went to wind his bag silver turap and found the key, stuck full of dirt. He tried to dig the dirt out with a pin. No go.

"Consars ye," he said, I'll fix ye. And he drilled a hole in the key, and with a single breath blew out every bit of the dirt.

"He patented that hole. He built a factory, bought millions of keys and made holes for them. His patent turned out 27,500 holes a day.

"In fact all the world used the farmer's watch key, which were the only kind that would keep clean, and the old fellow got rich.

"That, of course, was in the dim past. The hole factory is only running on half time now, few persons today use any save the stemwinding or keyless watch."

### Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect it.

How To Find Out. Fill a bottle or comming glass with water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it remains your urine it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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Immigration Commissioner North, San Francisco, has decided that a Rindoo cannot become a citizen of the United States, the United States statutes denying citizenship to all persons who are not white or of African descent.

The rose is the emblem of secrecy in Greece, and was formerly hung over the table where guests were entertained, in token that nothing heard there was to be repeated. Hence the expression "subrosa."

Stella—Did they marry and live happily forever? Bella—No; but they lived happily and married forever.—New York Sun.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of J. C. Holtzner.

### In the Vanilla or the Milk.

Spartanburg Spartan.

The Charlotte Observer of the 20th instant says: "As the result of eating gelatine with whipped cream on it last Sunday for dinner, 50 of the young ladies of Elizabeth college were made sick. The poisoning is supposed to have come from the vanilla extract used in flavoring the cream. Shortly after the meal was over a number of the students complained. The college physician was summoned post haste. By the time of his arrival others were ill. By nightfall there were a half hundred indisposed, many of them being deathly sick. Relief was given and in the course of a few hours almost all were up and out again, blew over as quickly as it came on and by the next day the college work was moving along as usual.

Now we have some doubt about that vanilla. The cream used was perhaps old, having been kept long enough for the ptomaines to be formed. Years ago at an entertainment in this county (a score or more of persons were made very sick by eating ice cream. The blame was then placed on the vanilla or other flavoring. But the trouble was in the milk used for making the cream. If those Charlotte girls had taken more of the whipped cream they would have run a great risk. On this subject of ptomaine poisoning, we are sure that milk, fresh meats, fowls and fish, when improperly handled, furnish favorable places for the generation of this poison.

### Not Lovelorn.

—Johnny, do you love your teacher? "Naw." "Why, I'm astonished." "Aw, what's the use? She's turned down six boys." —Louisville Courier Journal.

### American (being polite).

—Every time I see Punch I have to laugh. Englishman (offended) —I see nothing to laugh at in Punch. —New York Times.

### She sings with so much feeling, doesn't she?

"Yes. She's always grabbing herself around the heart or fussing with her back hair." —Chicago Record-Herald.

### Can't you find any work at all?

"Plenty sir; but every body wants references from me last employer." "Can't you get them?" "No sir; he's been dead twenty-eight years." —Illustrated Bits.

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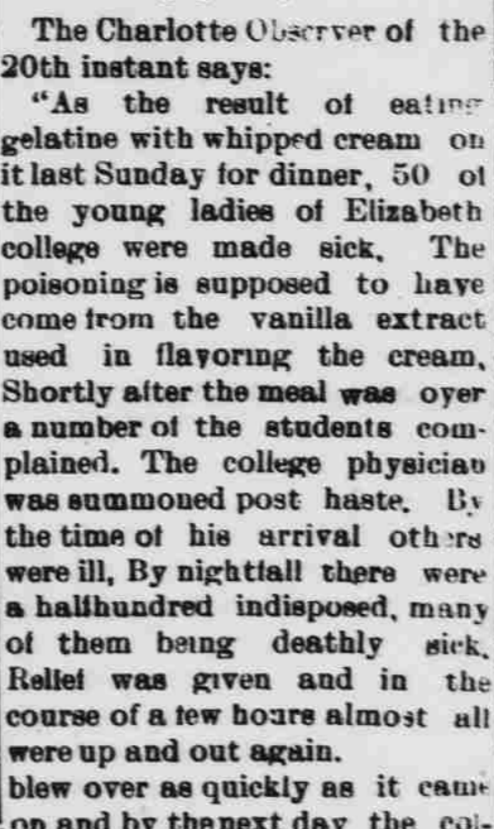
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