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BE SURE YOU ARE RIGHT; THEN GO AHEAD.—D Crockett

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**German Army Strength.**  
Germany can assemble an army of more than 1,000,000 soldiers, ready to start at any time, to the last button, in any point along her border in less than a week. Not drilling, courage, patriotism, intelligence, and military spirit alone give the German army the formidable strength it possesses, but also the painstaking labor that shirks no effort, and recognizes the value of the smallest detail. And in this work the general staff, the war department, and in fact, every officer is engaged year after year, restlessly trying to improve what appears perfect, always on the lookout for the chance of saving half an hour of the time required by the mobilization of the army, and always following the maxim of the great Moltke: "Only by striving for the impossible may we obtain the possible."—From the Century.

—When it comes to keeping grades out of politics, one might as well try to keep worms out of chestnuts.

—Presumably the laws do not include the census takers' wives from paying their figures.

## HEALTH INSURANCE

**The man who insures his life is wise for his family.**  
**The man who insures his health is wise both for his family and himself.**  
**You may insure health by guarding it. It is worth guarding.**  
**At the first attack of disease, which generally approaches through the LIVER and manifests itself in innumerable ways TAKE**

## Tutt's Pills

**And save your health.**  
**HUMAN HANDS DO NOT TOUCH IT.**  
From the time the raw materials reach our factory they are handled entirely by machinery, kept scrupulously clean. No contact with human hands.

**JEAN-O ICE CREAM Powder**  
is becoming popular. It is strictly pure and wholesome. Our factory is in clean, up-to-date buildings.  
**ICE CREAM is Easy to Make.**  
1 quart milk.  
2 sticks JEAN-O ICE CREAM Powder.  
Mix and freeze without cooking.  
Simple as 1-2-3.  
This makes two quarts of smooth, creamy, deliciously flavored, in 10 minutes at cost of about 1 cent a glass.  
Flavors: *Chocolate, Vanilla, Strawberry, Lemon and Citrus.*  
Sold by your grocer. 2 packages for 25c. "Economy" for a gallon.—or by mail if he does not keep it.  
The Geneva Pure Food Co., La. Roy, N. Y.

## FREY'S VERMIFUGE

It is the same good, old-fashioned medicine that has saved the lives of little children for the past 60 years. It is a medicine made to cure. It has never been known to fail. If your child is sick get a bottle of FREY'S VERMIFUGE.

## A FINE TONIC FOR CHILDREN

Do not take a substitute. If you do not do it, you will not get the benefit. It will send your child to bed in 10 minutes.

## NEW DEPARTURE

—BEGINNING—

## Saturday, April 2nd

The New Plan Goes Into Effect and Will Last Some Time, Certainly Through the Month, at the End of Which Time

## Cash Will Given Away

—BE—

## W. T. Deans,

See handbills I am distributing for details, or what is better, call at store and have it explained.

## General Development in Edgecombe.

**BY HENRY STATION.**  
(When Mr. Station was here recently, after discussing with the editor of this paper the wonderful development going on and to soon come in the South, we urged him, a native of this county, who could see the Southern trend of the country's growth, to not only tell the Southern readers, very many of whom—lifelong friends of this development, its causes but the duty of the citizens in respect thereto, it is with pleasure that we chronicle his compliance and give contribution No. 5.)

**(V. The Landowner.)**  
If anybody thinks he can make a great improvement in cotton production by working in all directions at once he is mistaken. The motto of this newspaper is "Be sure you are right; then go ahead." Choose the proper direction and work steadily along that line.

Every Edgecombe landowner has one or more types of the soil described in last week's issue. Before he can know how to manage it he must know what type he has. He can ascertain this by classifying it from his own examination. He should then write to the State Department of Agriculture, giving them the location of the farm and the physical composition of the soil. It would be a matter of small expense to send on to it high samples. The Department will tell him the kind of soil, its physical and chemical composition and to what production it is adapted. It will go further; it will send him literature showing the result of experiments already made with similar soil in Edgecombe county. It will tell him the standard soil for cotton in Edgecombe county. From this information he can readily ascertain the defects and the unnecessary elements lacking in his own.

In February, 1909, the Department published Bulletin Number 2, Volume 30. It will be sent free to my Edgecombe citizen upon application. It was written especially about Edgecombe county. Edgecombe results are used as standards of comparison with the rest of the State. It would be an insult to the intelligence of Edgecombe people if I attempted to make a digest of the information contained in that compact, condensed Bulletin. They can read it for themselves.

I shall make, however, a list of its subdivisions merely to show how fully it answers the variety of questions that every farmer has asked himself many times. They read like the glowing headlines that newspapers put over their best news stories.

What is a variety of seed? Early maturing varieties. Varieties adapted to Eastern North Carolina. Selection of seed of corn in Edgecombe. Distance tests for corn in Edgecombe. Earliness, value, yield, size of bolls seed and stalks of varieties of cotton in Edgecombe. Varieties of cotton adapted to Edgecombe. Buying cotton seed. Proper place to select seed seed. Fertilization and cultivation of corn and cotton in Edgecombe, giving experiments, actual amount used and results. Composts and composting. Use of cotton seed meal. Doubleday, Page & Company in New York City publish a book on the subject. It contains 331 pages. They advertise it extensively and they get \$2.50 for it. If a good book selection canvasser of Edgecombe he would sell the book to three-fourths of the landowners in the county. He could show every farmer that it answered questions he wanted answered. The North Carolina man is willing to pay for what he wants and would pay it.

But Edgecombe men have already paid. They have paid in taxes to the State. I assure you and I have read them both, that the Bulletin issued free by the State to any citizen who will write for it contains more direct real information condensed in its 75 pages than the 331 pages of any other book published at any price. It is issued free.

The State for the good of its people and thereby for its own good wants to show its people what to do with the land that God and the State have given them. Every landowner owes it to his God and to his State to make the best of what is given to him.

But God and the State help only those that help themselves. Senator Overman writes that North Carolinians are a Christian people. It is their Christian duty as well as their civic duty to study and put into practice the information in that Bulletin.

The State of North Carolina has now at Raleigh an Agricultural College. The some reap advantages that were never offered their fathers. But the fathers, who could not go to this college in their youth, because it did not exist, are now having the college brought to them by the issuance of this monthly Bulletin free to anyone requesting it. It is not an expensive matter put into practice these ideas learned from the actual experiments of others.

From the list of best seed

farmer can select one or more. Five thousand seed will be sufficient to plant a seed plot of a quarter of an acre or more. This would produce at least 15 bushels of seed, sufficient to plant 15 acres next year. One hundred of the choicest bolls from the best plants should be selected for maintaining a permanent seed plot or experiments and improvement. The seed plot should be made large enough to permit of rotation in crops upon its different parts with cotton upon some part of it each year while the other parts are planted in cowpeas, oats, wheat, clover or alfalfa. Cowpeas clover and alfalfa furnish nitrogen and humus to the soil. They are the best legumes known and also prevent the fertility of the soil from being washed away.

The many advantages of alfalfa are fully set forth in an article in the Saturday Evening Post of February 26th, 1910 entitled "Farmer's Own in Kansas." A million acres have been planted in Kansas and so many money made from it that its richness has given Kansas farmers a "financial gold." There is nothing sadder about alfalfa. It does not exact the pound of flesh from the farmer's land just because it brings him liberal terms. It revitalizes worn out land. It is a perfect rest cure. Its roots penetrate the soil to a depth of 8 to 24 feet drawing moisture from beneath the surface and supplying nitrogen to the soil in return. And not only that but it draws to the upper soil mineral and other plant food from below where it becomes available to surface feeding crops. As a feed for stock it has no equal. Thousands of years ago the Persians brought it into Greece, where its high percentage of protein made it so valuable as a cattle feed in its native land that the Greeks named it "milk-lifter." The Arabs, the ones who first used it as a "fodder" in Spain named it alfalfa. From Spanish it went to the Moors and through them to France. Then by way of the Levant it went to Kansas where it is so popular that every political speaker devotes half his speech to its merits. Kansas is a good example for Edgecombe to follow. It does things.

The whole seed plot should be highly cultivated by the methods and use of the fertilizers used in the Agricultural Department's experiments. At the end of the year the soil should be again analyzed. This would determine what element necessary to cotton was still lacking. It could be supplied next year on one of the parts till the standard was reached. The planter's own observations of results and his own experience would teach an improvement on the standard.

A stock breeder succeeds because he works towards an ideal. He studies his types and improves his strain by natural selection. In the same way the cotton planter must be guided by the types he produces. His ideal is an abundance of bolls, a boll of large size, a heavy yield of lint, a fine fiber of good strength, long and uniform length. He can examine from year to year the bolls selected and keep a record or score card of each plant.

The following is a form of score card kept by a Louisiana man.

A. Number of bolls.	15 points.
Large	10 points.
Medium	10 points.
Small	5 points.
B. Size of boll.	15 points.
Large	10 points.
Medium	10 points.
Small	5 points.
C. Yield of Lint.	15 points.
Heavy	15 points.
Medium	10 points.
Light	5 points.
D. Length of Fibre.	15 points.
2 inches	15 points.
1 3/4 inches	12 points.
1 1/2 inches	8 points.
1 1/4 inches	5 points.
E. Percentage of Lint	15 points.
35 per cent.	15 points.
30 per cent.	10 points.
25 per cent.	5 points.
F. Fineness of Lint	10 points.
Fine	10 points.
Medium	7 points.
Coarse.	5 points.
G. Strength of Fibre	10 points.
Strong	10 points.
Medium	7 points.
Weak	5 points.
H. Uniformity in Length	5 points.
Good	5 points.
Medium	3 points.
Poor.	1 point.

It is just as easy to put down and keep that record as it is to form a general uncertain opinion of results. The planter would know his own cotton. Each boll would have its pedigree. The planter would know its record and breed to it. "By their fruits ye shall know them" is as true a truism today as it was when written four thousand years ago.

One idea properly, thoroughly and studiously worked out is worth in fact more than a superficial knowledge of a thousand.

The primary object, the main purpose, the specialty of the Edgecombe planter is to get the cotton. The way to get it is first to make a good selection. Next, a study of it and of every detail of every method of making it produce. This cannot be accomplished by any other method than a systematic beginning and a systematic execution of some well devised plan. The day of generalization has passed. It never existed. Today everybody

who accomplishes great things, specialises. He studies his one subject until he knows it thoroughly. There is no way of thoroughly understanding any subject except by beginning at the beginning.

A seed plot offers a beginning. The speed with which the planter masters his subject will depend upon his own application and ability.

These two qualities are elementary essentials in the success of any proposition. At least, Mr. Wilkinson told me so nearly thirty years ago when I told him that I could not learn trigonometry.

If producers produced the cotton they can soon become independent. Independence brings power but until producers produce sufficient cotton to become independent of pressing needs and necessities they will never have sufficient power to perfect an organization of concerted interests—strong enough to abolish the existing evils of illegitimate cotton speculation upon exchanges. If cotton manipulators can be storing actual or fictitious cotton in storage warehouses and broker's offices depress or inflate the price of cotton, the storage of actual cotton by the producers themselves in factories and warehouses throughout the South under valid agreements would soon regulate its price upon a basis of actual supply and demand. It is a necessity of life. But the production of the planters must be sufficient above their needs to enable them to pool or store their surplus or profit cotton until such time as the demand for it affords a reasonable price. Necessity knows no law, moral or statutory. For that reason no farmers' associations or pools have resulted in real cooperation. Those who had to sell

that once let the Southern planter produce the full capacity of Southern lands and action in concert by the majority of the owners of these lands will yield a power over one of life's greatest necessities that will make the present Rockefeller monopoly of oil sink into insignificance.

For that reason I say that the Edgecombe landowner as well as every other in the South owes a duty to his State and to his South to produce from his land its fullest capacity and thereby attain an independence that will give to the North and the World the South's full deserts. Thus may the South come into her own not by way of retaliation or by way of revenge, but there will at least be some little satisfaction in the thought that the South has finally benefitted by the divine law of retribution.

—Pinegaat-Douglas is a little Broton community in which marriages are celebrated but twice a year, on the day of the Kings and "the day of the Indulgences." On January 11, 23 couples wearing the costumes of their ancestors were married at a single ceremony by a venerable priest.

"The Land of Nod." There is always a "big show" each season or which everybody waits, and that show this year is the musical extravaganza, "The Land of Nod," which comes to the opera house, April 21st. It is difficult to talk of "The Land of Nod" except in terms used of the biggest aggregations that play under canvas. The production, which was built especially for the recent engagement in New York, cost \$100,000, and can be housed only in the largest theatres. The company, including the executive staff, musicians, and stage mechanics, numbers about 80 and is one of the largest on tour at the present time. Two 60 feet baggage cars are required to transport the scenery and effects. A giant switchboard operated to produce the beautiful lighting effects. The care of hundreds of costumes is in charge of a complete and elaborate wardrobe department. Every detail of the performance is supervised by a stage manager and several assistants, quite like the management of the modern circus. With an enormous salary list and a bill for railroading that would stagger the average entrepreneur, "The Land of Nod" nevertheless thrives and prospers. Its success is easy to understand after we have witnessed a performance, as it contains all that is worth while in the average musical comedy and enough more to class it just three times as good as its imitators.

**Farmers' Fire Insurance.**  
The stock holders of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Edgecombe county met at the Mayor's office on Thursday at 12 o'clock M. and re-elected the following officers, viz:  
President, Dr. R. H. Speight.  
Vice President, J. L. Brake.  
Secretary and Treasurer, R. G. Hart.  
Directors, J. A. Davis and Dr. C. L. Killbrew.  
The report of the Finance Committee indicated a healthy condition of affairs. This association carries in surplus to the amount of \$20,000 and is a County enterprise exclusively.

THE SOUTHERNER'S SATURDAY SERMON  
**A New Commandment I Give Unto You; as I Have Loved You, That Ye Also Love One Another.** By This Shall All Men Know That Ye Are My Disciples, If Ye Love One Another.—John XIII: 34-35.  
(By Rev. Bertram E. Brown.)  
In these words, the night before His crucifixion, the Lord Jesus announced the ruling principle of the Kingdom He came on earth to found. Love was to be the Law of His Kingdom; Love such as He bears to men was to be the law that should bind the subjects of His Kingdom to each other; only those who love each other were to be considered genuine followers of Him, their King.  
If ever you have been told that there is any other principle greater than that of love required of Christian men, you heard some man-made idea set forth by no authority of Christ. Perhaps you have heard that belief in certain doctrines makes a man a Christian. If you heard something never taught by the Lord, certainly a Christian does not believe in the revelation of Truth God gave in His Holy Word, but that belief makes no man a Christian. Unless his belief goes along with deep love for his fellow-man, he is no more a Christian than if he believed nothing.  
Perhaps you have heard that belonging to the visible Church of Christ, conforming to its rites, partaking of its Sacraments, makes a man a Christian. If so, you heard something taught by man but not by the Church's Lord and Master. Certainly, a Christian will belong to the Church of Christ because His Master commands him to do so, but belonging to the Church does not constitute a Christian. If he does not love his fellow-man, his outward connection with Christ's Church makes him no more a disciple of Christ than if he were outside the Church.  
Satan believes in God, but because he is the personification of hate, he is God's enemy. Judas appeared to be a member of the Church, but because love was lacking in his heart he betrayed his Lord and went to perdition.  
When one really surrenders to Christ, opens his heart to Him, humbly, trustfully without reserve, Christ enters in and fills him with that same love for men that He felt when He came on earth to die for them.  
You may wonder why the Lord called His Law of Love a new commandment. Moses long before had said, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." Socrates the Greek four hundred years before Christ, had taught that men should love each other; men not Christians now love their fellow-men. In what sense was the Lord's Commandment new, and in what sense do Christians now love one another and all men in a different way from that in which those not Christians love men?  
In three particulars our Lord's commandment was new. It was new in its scope, new in its motive, new in its method, and in these three ways a Christian's love is different from the love a man not a Christian feels for his fellows.  
1. NEW IN ITS SCOPE: Moses said "Love your neighbor," but never thought it possible to love your enemy; Socrates said love your countrymen, but he never dreamed that a Greek could love a Barbarian; our Christians now love their kindred, or those who have done good to them, or those who have done them no harm. But Christ commands His followers to love their enemies as well as their friends; strangers as well as their own countrymen, those who have no natural claim upon them as well as those who have. Thus you see Christians, loving all mankind, striving to carry the message they have to Chinese and Hindoos and South Sea Islanders, an evidence of love that our Christians must not even understand it much less sympathize and help in it.  
2. NEW IN ITS MOTIVE: A Christian has a reason for loving his fellow-men that goes but a Christian has, He loves men because they are all children of the same Father in Heaven, and because Jesus His Master loved them too. When he remembers that Jesus loved all men so much, both white and black, sterner and gentler, that He was willing to die for them, everyone, how can he, Christ's follower, help loving all men who with all his soul, and doing what he can for them?  
3. NEW IN ITS METHOD: Before Christ, and outside of Christ, men knew no other method of loving men but by helping them in their bodily needs. They had and have no love for the immortal souls of men. Christ told us to love each other as He loves us. He healed the sick and fed the hungry, and helped ailing men in bodily distress, but over and above that He lived and taught and died to save men's souls from sin and lead them into eternal peace. So the followers of Christ not only love men enough to feed them when sick and care for them when weak, but they try to win them away from sin and point out to them the Savior who came to give them rest forever in His everlasting Kingdom. Natural, earthly love may sometimes lead a man to feed his

**THE BATTLEBORO STRANGER FOUND.**  
J. T. Willis is Now in Nash Jail.  
J. T. Willis, who on April 2, left the train at Battleboro, and after depositing his suit case in the waiting room disappeared in the dense growth of the Swift Creek lowlands, was captured Thursday near the Gold Mine, about 15 miles from where he disappeared.  
A colored man met with him and thinking there was a reward for him, engaged to arrest him, but while put up such a stout resistance that but for help coming the man would have made his escape and probably inflicted serious injuries on the colored man, who, as it was bore evidence of several punishments.  
On his person were found \$15.00. The man declared that he was not crazy, that he was in trouble, and left the train to escape his trouble.  
He was taken to the jail at Nashville, where he will remain until his wife who lives in Georgia can be communicated with.

**New Bank Sure.**  
The Quoted One of the First National still refuse to talk for publication, but when options are asked for on buildings to purchase or lease, it would appear to a man up a tree that something was doing.  
Rumor has it strong that the old hotel office under the Hotel Farrar has been leased and that the new bank will be organized under the State law.

**The Demon of the Air**  
is the germ of LaGrippe, that, broken in brings suffering to thousands. Its after effects are weakness, nervousness, lack of appetite, energy and ambition, with disordered liver and kidneys. The greatest need then is Electric Bitters, the splendid tonic, blood purifier and regulator of Stomach, Liver and Kidneys. Thousands have proved that they wonderfully strengthen the nerve, build up the system and restore health and good spirits after an attack of Grip. It suffering try them. Only 50c. Perfect satisfaction guaranteed by W. H. Macnair.

**Meeting of Board of Education.**  
The Board was in session Monday 4th, and all members being present, the minutes of the previous meeting approved.  
Several schools in townships 5, 6, 10 and 12 requested the Board to aid in extending the term; the Board agreed to contribute \$20 to each school, the patron to contribute an equal amount; the entire time to be free to all children in the district.  
It was ordered that abandoned, house No. 3, white, No. 16 township be advertised and sold.  
The corrected census for No. 1 township was accepted. The teacher's institute to be held this summer was discussed. It was the sentiment of the Board to hold the institute in August. The Secretary was directed to write Sup't. Joyner for a list of the official institute conductors.  
The compensation of W. O. Howard as special attorney for the Board was fixed at \$100.  
Vouchers were ordered sent to the township commissioners for their services during the present year as provided by law.

**The Call of the Blood.**  
For purification, finds voice in purples, bolls, yellow complexion, jaundiced look, moth patches and blotches on the skin, are all signs of liver trouble. But Dr. King's New Life Pills make rich red blood; give clear skin, rry cheeks, fine complexion, health. Try them. 25 cents at W. H. Macnair's.

brother's body, but only Christian love ever led a man to strive to save his brother's immortal soul as well.  
If you are a Christian your prayer must ever be like this—  
"Lord, I speak to me that I may speak in living echoes of Thy love; As Thou has sought, so let me seek. Thy erring children lost and lone. Oh, strengthen me, that while I stand firm on the rock, and strong in Thee, I may stretch out a loving hand To wrestlers in the troubled sea."

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**AN OPPORTUNE TIME**  
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**OXFORD TIME**  
Once more "the Oxford Time," the season when nature smiles and we all want to live out of doors is again at hand. The brown earth is turning to green; the pleasure of watching things "grow," that familiar miracle which none may explain, is ours once more. And of course, you will want Oxford—everybody does. Like the opening buds and the first wild flowers, the low cut shoe is a sign of spring. That is why the handsomest line of Oxfords we have ever had the pleasure of displaying now blossoms in our store. Oxfords are the greatest attraction in our Shoe Department just now, and we are especially proud of the new arrivals from the "House of Stars." These for the grace and elegance, as one delighted woman, said, "reminded me of spring poems in finest leather bindings." Candidly, we hadn't thought of it in just that way, but at any rate our "Star Brand" Oxfords tell their own inviting story of style, comfort and quality in genuine good leather. Our purchases of Oxfords and Slippers were most liberal and the line embraces the latest in fashion for all kinds of wear, all occasions, and all ages.

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