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**A New Kind of Man Who Earns His Dinner by His Wits—Congressmen in Society—Hanna.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—[Special.]—For some time there has been a tendency at Washington to make the Sabbath a day of social activity. The fashion was first set by the diplomats, who arranged for Sunday evening receptions and dinners. A year or two ago some of the swiftest and gayest social functions given by the diplomatic corps were on Sunday afternoon or evening. From the foreign colony the custom was gradually absorbed by some of the resident society, and for a time it looked as if in certain social circles the observance of Sunday would be completely swept away. But President McKinley has caused it to be given out that he is unalterably opposed to Sunday society. He has refused to give the slightest sanction to violations of the rule, and his attitude is serving to discourage many of those who would otherwise make Sunday a day of gaiety.

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**THE BOARD HOLDS AN ALL NIGHT SESSION ON HIS CASE—GUTHRIE SAYS SILVER—PIA WANTED.**

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 5.—[Special.]—The directors of the Atlantic & North Carolina railway met yesterday afternoon. Governor Russell said he left them all matters in regard to the Hancock scandal, and that they had all read the charges. Hancock then made a long statement, denying all the charges and the board continued in session until after midnight.

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**THE NEGROES OF ASHEVILLE WILL ASK FOR AN ALDERMAN.**  
A plan is maturing among a number of colored voters to call a meeting and adopt a definite plan of action with a view to nominating a colored man for alderman next spring. A number of the brethren in white are called upon by Parker Johnson, the colored janitor at the court house, and endeavored to dissuade them from calling upon the candidate for aldermanic honors. Johnson says he has no idea of being frightened off the track.

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**SHOOK KNEELS TO THE BLOW**  
J. Wiley Kisses the Hand That Smote Him.

**AN APOLOGY TO PEARSON**  
THIS IS A "RETRACE" EXTRA-ORDINARY.

**A Recent "Citizen" Interview Made All the Trouble and Now "The Citizen" Extends the Wings of Peace Over All.**

To the Public: Until a very recent date I had been an active candidate for the nomination for Congress in this district. Whether I was in earnest in my candidacy was doubted by many of my closest friends. I realized that in the contest I would be met solidly by those holding positions in the district under the administration who I believe would be arrayed against me in the interest of the nomination of Mr. Pearson.

**SIX FIREMEN WERE KILLED**  
THE COLLAPSE OF A ROOF ON FIRE.

Boston, Feb. 5.—The bodies of six firemen, among them District Chief Egan, have been taken from the ruins of the Best building, which took fire at 4 o'clock this morning. The dead: John F. Egan, district chief; James Victory, captain engines 28 and 39; George J. Goltwald, lieutenant; Patrick H. Diaken, hoseman; John Mulhern, fireman; W. J. Walsh, hoseman.

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