

Time was when war was a savage orgie, and slaughter, without regard to the instincts of humanity or the pleadings of age, sex or condition, was the prevailing practice. War at any time and under any circumstances is a brutal and cruel exhibition of man's worst features.

Later wars have had less of the horrors of butchery than in the days of the bludgeon and the battle axe. Improvements in the destructive machinery of war have done much to mitigate the horrors of warfare, but the agencies of christian civilization have done more.

But alas! at our door, in this close of the 19th century, in the very cradle of discovery, there now rages a war, unparalleled in its atrocity, unmitigated by the amenities of Christian charity, savage in its indiscriminating slaughter, fierce and ruthless, a war conducted by a proud nation, bearing the title, conferred by the head of its church, of the most Catholic nation, and on the other side by a native race of men striking for freedom and self-government.

The world grows pale at the record of atrocity in this inhuman war between Spain the proud, and Cuba the beautiful. The United States is nearest neighbor and almost within touch with this internecine strife. It is largely responsible for its continuance.

If the United States be one of the great Powers, if its honor be one of its dearest jewels, by the heritage our Fathers left us, by the memory of the heroes who consecrated our glorious history, by the sacred name of an American citizen, this outrage upon our character and honor, and upon the persons of our own citizens, must be avenged, even if Spain has to be wiped out with blood from the roll of the nations.

Special sale Ladies under wear for ten days only - Prices just one half. "The Fair."

Save money by buying our seed oats potatoes and Onion sets, at Flora & Co.

THE STATE UNIVERSITY.

A Bill has passed increasing the annual appropriation to the University \$5,000, making the whole appropriation \$25,000 a year. This is a compliment to the University that is well deserved.

people, urged on by the violent antagonism which now confronts State aid to higher education, will surely vote to withdraw State aid and they will virtually close the doors of the University and put out a shining light which, in the past history of the State, has done more to shape the character of North Carolina than any other Institution it has ever had.

If it ever comes before the people of North Carolina antagonized as it is by two of the most powerful religious denominations in the State, its days are numbered and Chapel Hill and its hallowed associations will be but a memory, and Caldwell, and Swain, and Mitchell and the long roll of illustrious alumni, will be as the buried cities of the plain.

Just received early Rose Spring seed oats and choice early Rose and Bliss seed potatoes at Flora & Co.

CONSUL-GENERAL LEE

The rumor seems generally credited that Consul-General Lee of Havana has tendered his resignation, and the doubt hangs over it whether he has resigned because he is dissatisfied with the course of this administration relating to Cuba and Spain, or whether he is complying with a custom that prevails with the foreign service, to tender their resignations when a new administration comes in that is adverse to the one by whom the appointment was bestowed.

Ambassador Bayard has sent in his resignation, also Ambassador Eustis to France and Ambassador Uhl to Germany. Minister Ransom has returned home to North Carolina, and it is supposed that he will not return to Mexico, and he has probably tendered his resignation. Others are said to be pouring into Washington.

President McKinley will have his hands full filling important places when he gets to Washington and the applicants will be numerous and clamorous. He may rest on downy pillows when he goes into the White House, but underneath it all will be one of stone. Let him rest.

WE DO NOT WANT BOYS OR LOAFERS to write, but men of ability \$200 to \$500 dollars per month salary or commission. State and general managers.

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IN LUCK.

It is now definitely announced that Mark Hanna, of campaign notoriety, will be appointed by Governor Bushnell of Ohio, to succeed Senator Sherman in the Senate of the United States after Senator Sherman takes his place in President McKinley's cabinet as Secretary of State. Hanna deserves his piece of pie; for he worked long and faithfully for McKinley and he owes his nomination for the Senate to McKinley's influence. He not only did faithful work, but if reports be true, he did foul, and his reputation will always hereafter be besmirched with corruption. The new President is said to have expressed great pleasure at the final result of the doubtful contest in Ohio for Senator Sherman's place.

We do not know Hanna's qualifications for the place of Senator, but this we do know, the loss of the able Senator from Ohio will not be supplied by Senator Marcus A. Hanna.

Thomas Doubts No Longer

We have had grave doubts whether the "Drummond Lake and Canal Company" would ever be a reality, and we have at sundry times, under the irritation of repeated disappointments, uttered sentiments under the weightings of despair, that our tongue should never again be heard in saying ought of the Canal, upon which this town was built and grew into stalwart prosperity. Those angry words we now take back and enroll ourselves as a full believer in the work now going on on the Canal, but now to be known by the less dolorous title of the "Lake Drummond Canal and Water Company."

completed. Three large dredges are at work. New dredges are being constructed on the spot. A new lock has been completed on Lake Drummond to regulate the supply of water from the Lake and work will soon commence on the locks at South Mills in North Carolina and Deep Creek in Virginia. Already a large amount of money has been expended on the work, and the lock on the Lake which is expensive, precludes the idea that it has not been done in good faith.

By the terms of the contract for making the old Canal a ship-channel for vessels drawing ten feet, with its equipment of large locks at each end of the Canal, the work is to be completed and the Canal made ready for traffic by January 23d 1898. It is to be, when completed, 40 feet wide at the bottom and 60 feet at the surface, with a minimum depth of 10 feet. It is expected that fast river steamers will make trips from Elizabeth City to Norfolk in four hours, and that barges towed by steam tugs will make it in six hours.

The new canal is a necessity for the demands of commerce. Water transportation will always be cheaper than Railroad transportation, and when rapid transit is not material, freight will follow the least expensive route. Steel barges in tow of steam tugs is the cheapest transportation known. It meets the requirement of minimum cost. Inland canals are now solving the problem of cheap transportation and the Dismal Swamp Canal under its new organization is one of the most important agencies in its development. Steam navigation will be provided on the new canal and the aim will be to promote quick passage. The ten feet depth of water corresponds with the depth of the waterways in Carolina waters. The width of the canal will accommodate the largest vessels that sail in these waters, and to accommodate the immense commerce that will pass through it, not only from Eastern Carolina, but also from the entire Atlantic coast below Ocracoke Inlet. Two turnouts are expected to be provided, each two miles in extent, to permit vessels to pass and prevent collisions.

It has been estimated that the income of the enlarged canal would amount to \$175,000 annually. It is estimated that the expenses need not exceed \$25,000 each year, thus leaving them something like \$150,000 income each twelve months. Elizabeth City will be one of the chief beneficiaries of this great work.

NORTH CAROLINA, CURRITUCK COUNTY.

The Board of County Commissioners met according to adjournment January 4th, 1897. G. A. Griggs, Ch'm. B. D. Tillett and W. H. White present.

Ordered, that the poor be advertised for thirty days for the purpose of securing bids for the care and maintenance of the same.

The following Jurors were drawn for March Term 1897.

- B. F. Perry, Wm. Kempf, W. G. Thomas (col.), Jno C. Walker, Enoch Carpio, M. V. Balance, Timothy Bowler, Dan'l D. Lee, Jas. Woodard, J. G. Saunders, D. W. Smith, W. J. Smith, William Dawley (col.), M. R. Gregory, Sam'l Dudley, Jno. S. Midgette, R. W. Parker, T. H. Fullford, J. P. Ehrbridge, A. J. Holt, Q. T. Götter Jr., D. M. Tate, Peter Poyner, M. S. Ferber, Jessie Bowden, Wm. H. Snowden, H. R. Parker, D. F. Scarborough, W. T. Creekmon, Jas. E. Garrett, Noah W. Powers, T. P. Hall, J. B. Lee, Jr., Richard Mansfield, Jno. Humphres Sr., W. D. Barnard.

The following orders were allowed for Beneficiaries.

- Sarah Van Raper for 2 Mos. \$6.00
Wibby Dumanau 2.00
P. Miller and Children 4.00
Edmond Mercer 4.00
John Toler 2.00
Jas. King 2.00
Betsey Robertson 2.00
Sarah Asklin 2.00
Wm. Cusan 2.00
Wiley Gregory 2.00
Deed Miller 2.00
Patsy Wilson 3.00
Jasper Toler 5.00
Wm. Statton 2.00
Adam Forbs 2.00
Frank Rodgers 2.00
Frank Mann 2.00
Patrick Owens 2.00
Wm. Barnes 2.00
Honor Taylor 2.00
J. B. Sawyer 2.00
Briete Whitehall 5.00
Mary Lindsay 2.00
Majchi Pargu and wife 4.00
Wibby Dumanau 2.00
Edmond Saunders 5.00
The following Gen. County orders were allowed.
J. B. Davis \$13.50
J. R. Jarvis 2.00
G. W. Waterfield 6.00
S. D. Waterfield 2.00
Henry Perry 1.00
Simon Smith 2.00
W. J. Tate 12.00
J. D. R. Cogswell 8.00
W. J. Harris 1.00
J. P. Whitehart and others 14.00
J. R. Hoffa 2.00
W. G. Thomas 6.00
Rols. Gooden 3.00
Dr. W. H. Cowell 50.00
Thos. E. Newbern 2.00
John Toler 2.00
N. D. Sorey 1.70
W. S. Mercer 7.65
G. J. Scarborough 7.00
J. G. Perry 7.00
W. M. Rogers 2.00
N. J. Anderson 3.00
Jas. Rodgers 1.00
B. D. Tillett 8.00

Wm. H. Bray 30.00
E. L. Griffin 0.00
There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet on the first Monday in next month.
Wm. H. Bray,
Clk'k B'rd. Co. Com'rs.

LION TAMERS.

They Must Be Men of Sober Habits as Well as Fearless.

The taming of lions has been practiced for centuries. Hanno, a Carthaginian, is said to have been the first lion tamer, and he had a lion which followed him about like a dog. His skill was not appreciated, however, for he was banished by the republic, because it was deemed that a man who could subdue so much ferocity must needs be dangerous to the state. Ptolemy Philadelphus, king of Egypt, B. C. 285, had 12 chariots drawn by lions. Mark Antony rode about Rome in a chariot drawn by a pair of lions. Domitian had a lion that accompanied him out hunting.

Bernice, queen of Egypt, had a tame lion which sat at table with her and licked her cheeks. These stories must, of course, be taken for what they are worth, but at least they show that lion taming was not unknown in those bygone days. In our own country the art has been practiced with considerable success. Early in this century Ducrow, the famous equestrian, introduced into his exhibition a lion and a tigress with some hybrid cubs belonging to one Atkins. The novelty was very popular, and Ducrow was summoned to Windsor castle to exhibit his animals. The keeper used to lie down in the cage with the lion on one side of him and the tigress on the other, while the cubs played and gambled at his feet.

One of the most celebrated lion tamers of the century was Van Amburgh, a Dutchman who came to this country before the queen began her reign. He has been immortalized by Sir Edwin Landseer, who painted a picture of him in the midst of his lions. Van Amburgh once told the Duke of Wellington, who had asked if he was never afraid of his lions, that he had never felt any fear of them, but if he ever suspected that they had ceased to fear him he would at once give up the business. Besides fearlessness the trainer requires infinite patience. He usually begins by feeding the beasts from outside the bars, and then, at length, ventures into the cage. Lions, it is said, like to be stroked and may be tickled into submission. Another requisite quality of a trainer is that of absolute sobriety. The resort to "Dutch courage" has been the cause of death of numbers of lion tamers.

An Irishman named Macartney, who was exhibiting in Manders' menagerie in the sixties, was a sad example of this fact. While exhibiting at Bolton Macartney went into the lions' cage when he was not quite sober. He began chasing the lions round their large den. One of them sprang at him, seized him by the hip and dragged him to the ground. Then the other beasts joined in, and the unfortunate man was soon torn to pieces.

After Wombwell's death his menageriesplit up into two or three shows. One of these had a "lion king" named Lorenzo, who used with a lion to perform the classical story of Androcles. This was, it will be remembered, a tale of a Greek slave, who, flying from the cruelty and barbarity of his Roman master, plunged into a forest, where he encountered a lion with a thorn in his foot. Androcles extracted the thorn and won the beast's gratitude. Being recaptured, he was condemned to be thrown to a lion. The veritable beast which he had befriended happened to be the one caught and brought to the amphitheater. The lion recognized Androcles and licked his hand, refusing to hurt him. Lorenzo, in this little play, used to delight crowded audiences for years. No mention of lion tamers would be complete if reference were not made to John Cooper, who rivals Van Amburgh for the first place in his craft. Mr. Cooper is, we believe, still alive. He began his experience of animals at a very early age, joining Batty's circus at the age of 10. Once, when he was still a mere boy, the circus was exhibiting at Leeds, and a savage lion belonging to the show slipped its collar.

Young Cooper, although he had never been in the cage before, without a word to any one, went in to the lion and fixed the collar on again. Mr. Cooper has traveled all over Europe and performed before several "crowned heads," from many of which he has received presents. He has had some terrible experiences and escapes, and bears many marks of teeth and claws of the animals he has trained. He ignored the usual lines of training and used to walk straight into the cages of strange lions.—London Graphic.

Habit.

"Habit" is hard to overcome. If you take off the first letter, it does not change "a bit." If you take another, you still have a "bit" left. If you take off another, the whole of "it" remains. If you take off another, it is not "it" totally used up. All of which goes to show that if you wish to be rid of a "habit" you must throw it off altogether.

Doesn't Want to Save It.

"There's one thing about this soap, madam," said the grocer. "It saves backache."
"Does it?" "Mercy!" said the practical woman. "Who wants to save backache? I'd rather squander mine."—Harper's Bazar.

Books on etiquette are always among the most humorous published. The humor is usually unconscious, but it is there, and everybody knows that unconscious humor is of the most killing variety. All such books have for their very base a huge absurdity—the idea, namely, that a person arrived at the years of discretion ignorant of good manners can be taught them. It is like prescribing remedies for the dead. If the patient had lived, the advice might have been worth listening to; as it is, it is a trifle late. Another humorous aspect of books on the usages of the most exclusive society lies in the fact that they are as a rule written by people who live in a four pair back. This is hardly the proper habitat for a learned commentator on the intricacies of behavior at the Patriarchs' ball.—New York Post.

Only Occasionally.
A bright little fellow of 4 years had the unfortunate habit of stamping. One day his mother had called, and the little one was asked, "Richard, do you stutter all the time?"
"N-n-no, only when I talk," was the ingenuous reply.—Boston Daily Globe.

Example.
Uneasy Passenger (on an ocean steamship)—Doesn't the vessel tip frightfully?
Dignified Steward—The vessel, mum, is trying to set a good example to the passengers.—Strand Magazine.

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NOTICE.
Having qualified as Executors of the estate of Dr. F. N. Mullen, dec'd., we will sell at public auction at the residence of the late decedent, for cash, on Thursday, the 25th day of February, A. D. 1897, all the personal property, consisting of horses, hogs, cattle, sheep, farming implements, seed Irish potatoes, buggies, carts, and various other articles.
J. K. ABBOTT,
S. O. MCKLEN,
Executors.

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NORTH CAROLINA.) In the Superior Court, GATES COUNTY.) Special Proceeding

NOTICE.
Mary F. Goodman, widow of O. W. T. Goodman, vs.
Jno. C. Goodman, Bruce Smith and wife, Almela P. Smith, E. R. Smith and wife Mary A. Smith, Benj. Goodman, B. G. Williams, O. C. Harrell and wife, Sue Harrell, Wm. J. Smith, David B. Smith, I. O. Hill and wife, Mattie Hill, Charles Smith and wife, Hattie Smith, Lovich Smith and Jno. Smith.

The defendants Jno. C. Goodman, Bruce Smith and wife, Almela P. Smith, E. R. Smith and wife, Mary A. Smith, Benj. Goodman, Wm. J. Smith, David B. Smith, I. O. Hill and wife, Mattie Hill, Charles Smith and wife, Hattie Hill, Lovich Smith and John Smith above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Gates county for the allotment of Dower to the plaintiff, Mary F. Goodman, in the lands of her deceased husband, W. T. Goodman, situated in Hasetts township, said county, and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Gates county on the 25th day of February, 1897, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 5th day of January, 1897.
W. T. Cross,
Clk'k Sup. Court.

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