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HOW'S CUBA.

Mighty well, thank ye. How's it with yourself. If Cuba would contain herself in a state of innocuous dissuette, she would have an easier task than wrestling with Spain and trying to prove to the nations that they are a gallant people struggling for freedom and entitled to belligerent rights...

Spain has got no money and is at great expense in conducting a war in a country of mountains and ravines and the pride of the hidalgo is a heavy additional expense that weighs heavily upon the Spanish shoulders...

A war of aggressive cruelty is an expensive and odious war, and such a war Spain has waged against the native Cubans. If the Cubans had been of the Caucasian race they would long since have won their independence and made a history for themselves with historic chronicles and national songs...

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GENERAL CLINGMAN.

This distinguished citizen of North Carolina is now 84 years old. He is old, poor and infirm and has been received in the Morganton asylum, altho not insane, to be cared for at the expense of the State that he has served in peace and war with such honor and distinction. His bodily health is said to be good, but his mind is nearly gone...

We were at the University of North Carolina with T. L. Clingman in 1832. He was a leader of his class and graduated with the highest rank, in a class distinguished for the intellect of its members. James C. Dobbin, Secretary of the Navy in President Pierce's Cabinet, was among them.

Clingman was noted as a boy for his scholarship, intellectuality, eccentricity and gawkiness. He was an unfiring bandy player and a noted gourmand and especially fond of flap jacks and turn-overs. We had a seat next to him at table at Steward's Hall one session, and his gastronomic feats in twirling flannel cakes down his

oesophagus excited our wonder and amazement. He was especially gifted in mathematical studies, and if Pettigrew had struck the class of 1832 he would not have borne off the special distinction of "excellence" from Clingman as he did from Ransom. When a boy at the University Clingman had the same absentmindedness and fondness for talking to himself that characterized him in after life. His voice was harsh and rasping and his gait ungainly. But he never uttered a word that was not good and wise. He was fearless and brave, and established a reputation for pluckiness early in his college course that caused him to be respected afterwards. He was always contemplative, thoughtful and abstracted and any object of large proportions completely absorbed him. When he first presented himself before the students he was a fat object for derision and practical jest. An older student met him standing behind the South Building, wrapped in amazement. His dress from head gear to shoe strings was Surry county home-spun of best manufacture. The old student commenced to jeer him on his rig, and brainy Clingman caught his drift at once, pitched into him and gave him a terrible thrashing and the old student went away a wiser and bloodier man, and Clingman by the heroic treatment saved himself much trouble afterwards.

With all his awkwardness, Clingman was the most conspicuous man in his class, and his associates were proud of his companionship.

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NEWS FROM THE COUNTIES

CURRITUCK.

POPULAR BRANCH.—We are glad to know the weather has turned cooler and hope it will continue so.

Mrs. Jane Gallop of Elizabeth City, is visiting relatives here.

Mr. W. S. Dorton, of Elizabeth City, who has been visiting friends and relatives here, left for his home last Monday. He had a pleasant visit.

Mr. N. W. Walker left this week for Elizabeth City, where he will attend school this session.

Miss Lucy Odell, of Norfolk, Va., has just begun a school at Mr. T. J. Foyner's, where she will teach the coming winter.

Mr. D. W. Woodhouse, a well known merchant of this place, has gone North to purchase his fall and winter goods. We are anxiously awaiting his return, when, no doubt, he will have a large trade.

TYRREL.

COLUMBIA.—There is quite an excitement in our quiet little town for the past few weeks about a supposed burglar who visited some one's house every night and raised the windows of sleeping apartments. He has raised the windows of seven parties while they were asleep and left them up. He has been in no one's house. Several have seen him and shot at him, but he seems not to be exactly where the bullets go. He seems to be a colored man about 6 feet high and rather slender. Some say he is medium stout. I think he would weigh about 150 pounds, walks with his head down, apparently drawn down between his shoulders, walks quick and dresses in a dark soot suit. I write this because he may suit the description of some one wanted. He has been here about two weeks. Yours &c, T. H. WOODLEY.

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THE CANVASS OF 1876.

Vance at Edenton.—A Chapter Omitted in Dowd's Life of Vance.

There have been great political canvasses in North Carolina in its history of early contests. The contest between Graham and Hoke in the early Forties and that between Morehead and Saunders, were very notable, but the most notable of all was the historic canvass in 1886 between Vance and Settle. Great interests were involved. The State had been under the control of the Republican party for some years, and the people of North Carolina, phrenzied with oppression and wrong and with barbarism staining them in the face, finally roused themselves to one desperate effort to throw of the serpent that was coiling around their throats and sucking out their life blood. The Republican and Democratic parties had both nominated their candidates for Governor and both were able leaders. Vance led the Democratic hosts, Settle, the Republican. The Republican party was composed of native seceders, mostly office holders or expectants, carpet baggers, negroes and low whites.

The canvass was opened at Edenton by Vance alone. Settle was not present at the appointment. Vance spoke in the open air near the old John M. Jones residence on King street. The streets were thronged with visitors, many of them distinguished men from other parts of the State. There was no parade, no brass bands or flouting banners, but the excitement was intense. Vance spoke about two hours. He was often applauded but never interrupted but once, by a negro who asked him a question, doubtless suggested by some low down white Republican. The rebuke which Vance gave him silenced since afterward. It was very apparent that Vance was pleased with his reception and with the impression that his speech had made. After the speaking several friends were invited to meet him at dinner at Dr. Norcom's on Eden Alley. When the time arrived Dr. Norcom requested us to take charge of Governor Vance and escort him to his house, while he attended to some private business. A little personal incident will illustrate Vance's wonderful magnetism. At the conventional time we started from Doctor Capehart's office for Norcom's residence on Eden Alley, some five or six hundred yards away, a place we were long acquainted with from familiar association. The day was excessively hot in July. Vance carried 200 pounds and an umbrella, which he held over us. We had the advantage of a pair of good legs and the help of his free left arm. He was at his best in good spirits. We passed the entrance to Eden Alley, at Miss Emily Gardner's corner, without a pause, and passed on up Broad, the Governor looking and panting somewhat, but wonderfully buoyant and entertaining. Up Broad we hied, by the now Fair grounds. We soon came to the "Coffee House" tract, outside the town, where, when a boy in the early teens, shot snipe, bullfrogs and pond wild ducks, for old Lemoine. We were both exhausted. Woods and marsh and forest trees surrounded us. Vance gave out and with an exclamation of surprise said—Creeey, we are in the country and out of town and not at Norcom's yet. We looked around dazed, and protested we were not after varmints. He took off his coat, threw it over his shoulders and journeyed back to Norcom's two miles away, where we had a "guide time" with a large company of pleasant friends in waiting for us, of whom W. D. Pruden, of Edenton, Col. R. C. Mitchell, of Edenton and ourself are sole survivors.

So pleased was Mr. Peabody with the hospitable manner in which he was entertained and so grateful for the many kindnesses he had received from his uncle in his youth that, as a compliment to him, he gave the village a public library, sending most of the books from London, accompanied by a fund to sustain it and add to its treasures and a portrait of himself similar to the one which was part of his gift of a library to the town of Georgetown. Miss Dodge speaks enthusiastically of her distinguished relative as "the grand old man," 6 feet high, finely proportioned and of noble presence. Dignified and impressive in his manner, he was easily approached even by strangers and genial and pleasant to all. Miss Dodge bears a remarkable resemblance to Mr. Peabody and would be at once recognized as a near relative.—Boston Transcript.

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GEORGE PEABODY.

Interesting Reminiscences of a Comrade of the Great Philanthropist.

When George Peabody, the eminent banker and philanthropist, was, by the death of his father, left an orphan at the age of about 10 years, he, his sister and their mother were given a home by the mother's brother, Eliphalet A. Dodge of Georgetown, then a part of Rowley, Mass. The daughter of the generous hearted brother and uncle, Miss Amanda Dodge, is now temporarily living in Charlestown. As she is the youngest of a family of 13 children, she has, of course, no recollection of her distinguished relative before he was a man of mature years.

Her father took great interest in the lad and predicted for him a successful career, not because of any early predilections for industry, but from the fact that he once observed literally the injunction about killing two birds with one stone, a feat which he accomplished with one throw of the little implement with which the valorous David laid low the mighty Goliath. When the proud lad picked up the trophies of his remarkable skill with the sling, he expressed as much satisfaction as he ever did over his marvelous feats in the financial world, the results of which were so lavishly distributed among the objects of his bounty. He not only showed little inclination for labor as a lad, but he exhibited a marked tendency for idleness, and his uncle used to tell with great glee how he sent the boy into a field overrun with sumac with instructions to clean it up. He did so, but in his own way, for instead of cutting the bushes close to the ground he left the stumps as high as his shoulders, being too indolent, as his uncle believed, to stoop. He got bravely over this inclination to shirk before he reached his fifteenth year, when he left the hospitable roof that had sheltered him during his years of helplessness to become a clerk in a grocery store.

Miss Dodge first saw her cousin in the early sixties, when he visited the home of her father, who was then living in the little village of Post Mills, a part of Thetford, Vt. Mr. Peabody was on his way from the Thousand Islands, in the St. Lawrence river, where, in company with the sons of his sister, Charles and Singleton Daniels, he had been fishing for salmon, a sport of which he was excessively fond, as he was of all outdoor diversions. The young men's mother awaited at her uncle's home the arrival of her brother, and when he came he was greeted by near relatives numerous enough to make a party of 30. It was regarded as most remarkable that so small a village should be the home of so many members of one family. There was also present George Peabody Russell, a son of Mrs. Daniels by her first husband, Jeremiah Russell, the favorite nephew of Mr. Peabody, to whom he left the greater part of his immense property. Mr. Russell was accompanied by his wife.

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Wolsey was warned of his doom by a crosser head, Sejanus by a flight of crows. Dr. Johnson objected to going under a ladder. Montaigne avoided giving his left foot priority in putting on his stockings. Alexander was believed to have "untied" the Gordian knot with a slash of his sword.

For good luck's sake Augustus wore some portion of a sea calf, Charlemagne some trinket of unknown value. Mohammed was all fate, Bonaparte all star and destiny. Cromwell believed in Sept. 3 and Louis Napoleon in Dec. 2. Sulla called himself Felix, the favored child of fortune, and Timoleon turned his house into a temple of chance.

Alexander, if we may credit the account given by Quintus Curtius, was terrified by blood flowing from inside his soldiers' broad during the siege of Tyre, in 332 B. C. His seer, Aristander, forsook in this crimson efflux of the vital stream out of the commissariat a happy issue for the Macedonians, and the warriors, thus nerveless, took Tyre.—Strand Magazine.

Friendship is a vase which, when it is flawed by heat or violence or accident, may as well be broken at once. It never can be trusted after. The more graceful and ornamental it was the more clearly do we discern the hopelessness of restoring it to its former state. Coarse stones, if they are fractured, may be cemented again; precious ones, never.—Landon.

Fortified. "What large features she has!" "Yes. I don't think it would be easy to stare her out of countenance."—Detroit Journal.

The Conductivity of the Earth. One of the fallacies handed down from days that are prehistoric with respect to modern electricity is that the earth is an excellent conductor. This error was propagated in the earlier books on electricity, and even at the present time is widely disseminated. Dr. Louis Bell, in an article in The American Electrician, demonstrates that instead of the conductivity of the earth being perfect it is actually so poor as to be practically insignificant except in the case of very high voltage or very minute currents, and that while the earth return may continue to be advantageously employed in telegraphic work it is useless under existing conditions for power service and harmful when forming part of an electric railway circuit.

Might Not Like It. Mrs. Pneumoney—I'll have two pounds of that sage cheese, and I'll have a pound of impunity too. Grocer—Marm? Mrs. Pneumoney—One pound will be enough, I guess. Dr. Kiddle says that sage cheese can be eaten with impunity, but, then, you know, I may not like impunity.—Boston Transcript.

All are not soldiers who wear a uniform, as General Lew Wallace found out at Fort Donelson. He saw four soldiers carrying a fifth, who seemed to be wounded. "Can't that man walk with assistance?" asked Wallace. "Oh, no!" said the men. "He is dying."

Just then a shell exploded near by, and the four men dropped their burden and fled. The man who was supposed to be wounded leaped to his feet and ran even faster than the others.—Youth's Companion.

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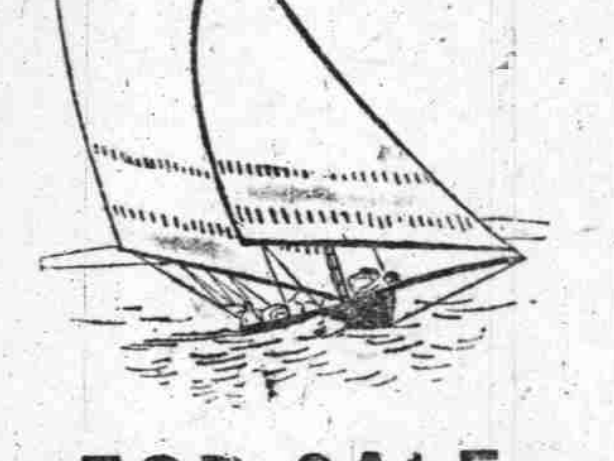
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