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The Value of "Knowing How."
A lady went to a jeweler to have a ring sawed off her finger. The lady was well advanced in years, and the ring had been put on her finger by her husband on their wedding day, nearly half a century before. The hand trembled and a tear fell upon it as she held it out to have the precious memento mutilated.

SALE OF LAND.
By virtue of authority granted to me by M. L. Harkey and wife, by a Mortgage dated March 22, 1870, and duly registered in the office of the Register of Deeds in Book 31, page 289, I will sell at the Court House in Charlotte, on Monday, October 14, 1887, at 12 M., for cash, the Tract of LAND described in said Mortgage, to-wit: A Tract of about 200 ACRES, joining the lands of Sol. Harkey and others, and being the tract on which M. L. Harkey lived at the date of said Mortgage, and where he now resides.

Mortgage Sale.
By virtue of a Mortgage executed to me by E. H. Hinson and wife, with the purpose therein mentioned, and registered in Book 36, page 283, Mecklenburg county, I will sell at the Court House door in Charlotte, N. C., at 12 o'clock, M., on Thursday, Oct. 27, 1887, two Acres of valuable LAND, adjoining the lands of T. S. Ellington, C. Dowd and others, on the waters of Clear Creek and in Clear Creek township, Trims Cash.

Valuable Land FOR SALE.
I will sell my Plantation, two miles from Baticum Ford, with fine Residence. Healthy place and the land always produces good crops of every kind when worked. The Tract contains about 200 Acres, with good Barn, Stables and Tenant Houses. If desired, I will divide the Tract or add to it to suit purchasers. Terms easy. For particulars call on me, or Mr. J. L. Jetton, who will take pleasure in showing the premises.

Mortgage Sale of Land.
By virtue of a Mortgage made to S. W. Beatty, Bro. & Co., by W. T. Dority and wife, and registered in Book 49, page 152, in the office of Register of Deeds for Mecklenburg county, and transferred to the undersigned on July 22nd, 1886, I will sell for cash, at the Court House door in Charlotte, on October 25th, 1887, the Property described in the said Mortgage.

TO THE TAX-PAYERS OF Mecklenburg County.
I will attend at the places named below on the respective dates, for the purpose of collecting the State and County Taxes for the year 1887:

VALUABLE HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.
A new and valuable House and Lot for sale and suitable for a family. Correspondence solicited only from those who mean business.

Administrator's Notice.
Having been appointed Administrator of the estate of the late Saml. E. Howie, I hereby give notice to all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same to me before the 30 day of September, 1887.

Executor's Notice.
Having duly qualified as Executor of the last Will and Testament of Mrs. M. E. Brothers, deceased, this is to notify all persons holding claims against her Estate to present them to me for payment on or before the 1st day of October, 1887.

Administrator's Notice.
All persons having claims against the Estate of W. F. A. utterback, deceased, are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned, properly attested, on or before the 10th day of September, 1887.

Administrator's Notice.
All persons having claims against the Estate of Wilson Wallace, deceased, are hereby notified to present them to the undersigned, properly attested, on or before the 10th day of September, 1887.

BURWELL & DUNN
SELL
At Lowest Market Prices.

NEW CLOTHING FOR 1887.
We shall give very close attention to our business and shall have a special care to the interests of our patrons, and as we begin our new line, having no accounts and no debt against anyone, bearing "good will toward all men," and a very special liking for ladies, who have the responsible charge of providing well for the comfort of the "rising generation," we shall hope by courteous dealing, the selling of reliable Goods only, and the One Price system, to succeed.

Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods.
Our expenses will be light, relatively reduced, as we shall reserve in active capacity ourselves, and as we have purchased our Stock very advantageously, and much under value, we will offer inducements heretofore unknown to the trade.

THE FALL TRADE.
Our Stock of PROVISIONS and GROCERIES is now complete.

100,000 POUNDS OF RAGS WANTED.
Paid in Cash or Trade, at
ROSS & ADAMS'
Book and Stationery Store, No. 17 S. Tryon St.

Be Careful How You Answer Inquiries.
In the *Massachusetts Advocate* an old preacher is giving some recollections of his past life, in which he gives the following instances of how he got into a scrape by answering letters asking for character:

"The man who gives himself away in a case like this, may always expect to be caught. I received a letter once from an unknown party, who said he was a *Master Mason*, and wrote to me on the square. A certain young man was courting his daughter, and had referred to me for character. Now it happened that I knew two young men of the same surname, but different given names. One, familiarly called *Bill*, was a great rascal; the other, *Joe*, was a pretty fellow. Now, when I got the old gentleman's letter, I unfortunately got my mind on the wrong man. So I wrote, as it was in my duty bound to do, to my old brother, warning him against the said *Bill* as a son-in-law. I gave him as near as I could, his character and pedigree on the square. What less could I do? He had appealed to me as a father, and feeling as I did, that the said *Bill* was not a desirable son-in-law, I so wrote him.

"In about ten days after the letter had been written, I went home one night, and my wife said: 'There's been a strange gentleman here to see you, on important business.' Why didn't he wait till I came in? 'He said he would be sure to come back.'

"A few minutes after supper a phanton drove up to my door, and out hopped a young man. As he came up I recognized him, and asked him into the sitting-room. Soon after the usual formalities, he ran his hand in his pocket and producing a letter, held it up before me, saying: 'Did you write that?'

"It was the letter I had written on the square to my old friend. Of course I answered, 'Yes, sir.' He replied, 'Do you think it was fair to write that way about me?'

"As a general rule, it is unsafe to give your opinion about either a young man or woman who are engaged to be married, or are interested in each other. It does no good. I once received a letter from a gentleman asking me particularly about a young man who was paying some attention to his sister. He put it this way: 'Now if you had a sister, and such a man was about to marry her, would you submit to it?'

Execution Sale.
By virtue of an Execution in my hands in favor of W. J. Moore vs. J. M. Grier, I will sell at the Court House door in the city of Charlotte, N. C., on Monday, the 7th day of November, 1887, at 12 M., all the said J. M. Grier's real and personal property, situate in a certain piece of Land in Mecklenburg county, adjoining the Lands of M. A. Sample, E. C. Kurkendall and others, containing 10 1/2 acres—the same being land allotted to J. M. Grier by Sheriff T. S. COOPER, Sheriff.

NOTICE TO Creditors of J. Duncan's Estate.
I extended until crop time all Mortgages, Notes and Accounts due above Estate, and as that time has arrived, I give our creditors fair notice that they must come forward at once and settle, or their claims will be put in the hands of my Attorney for collection.

THE LAST NOTICE.
We are going to settle up our old business at once, and those who are indebted to us must not be surprised if they find their

Mrs. Query's Millinery Store.
MILLINERY GOODS FOR Fall and Winter.

FALL AND WINTER CLOTHING.
PHARR & LONG,
(Successors to E. D. Latta & Bro.)
Clothiers.

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Our Stock of PROVISIONS and GROCERIES is now complete.

600 ROLLS Cotton Bagging.
500 Bales TIES,
500 Bales FLOUR,
100 Bags Coffee,
50 Bales Sugar,
50 Bales Molasses,
50 Boxes Bacon,
200 Boxes Tobacco,
100 Boxes Soap,
200 Packages Soda,
200 Bags Salt.

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The Rattlesnake's Awful Eye.
A few days ago a farmer friend of mine, living four miles south of Abilene, told me what he had lately witnessed. He was riding along on a prairie, and saw a rattlesnake within a few feet of him, which refused to scamper to his hole, as prairie-dogs usually do when approached by man; on the contrary, he sat as if transfixed to the spot, though making a constant nervous, shuddering motion, as if anxious to get away. My friend thought this was strange, and while considering the spectacle, he presently saw a large rattlesnake coiled up under some bushes, his head uplifted about six or seven feet from the dog, which heeded him not, but looked steadily at the snake. He dismounted, took the dog by the head and thrust him off, when the snake, which had up to that moment remained quiet, immediately swelled with rage and began sounding his rattles. The prairie-dog for some time seemed benumbed, hardly capable of motion, but grew bolder, and finally got into his hole. My friend then killed the rattler. Now, was this a case of charming? If not, what was it? And to one who is familiar with the eyes of rattlesnakes it does not seem unreasonable that they should have such power. If you will examine the eye of one when he is cold in death, you will perceive that it has an extremely malignant and terrible expression. When he is alive and excited I know of nothing in all nature so of dreadful appearance as the eye of the rattlesnake. It is enough to strike not only man and little animals, but men with nightmare. I have on several occasions examined them closely with strong glasses, and feel with all force what I state, and I will tell you that there are few men on the face of the earth who can look upon an angered rattlesnake through a good glass—bringing him apparently within a foot or two of the eye—and stand it more than a moment.

Self-Mending Snakes.
Editor Scientific American:—In your issue of the 3rd instant, I observe an article on the "Glass Snake," or on one variety of that somewhat curious species. My acquaintance is with a somewhat different one, which, so far as I know, is simply a snake, and not in any sense a lizard. I have seen many of them in earlier days here; but never saw one more than about 18 inches long. They are very beautiful, being a kind of steel gray and black, in small broken checks on the back, with two slightly defined stripes along either side, so far back as the vital organs extend. But I believe that you, like most scientific writers, are inclined to accept the idea of these snakes "putting themselves together" and crawling away after being broken in pieces. Now, facts are facts, no matter what philosophy may say. About ten years ago I caught one of these reptiles, broke him in pieces from one to two inches long, from the anus to the tip of his tail—two-thirds of the whole length of the way—then placed a cage over him so that he could by no means escape, and mistake were impossible. Then, on returning to the place twenty-four hours after, the snake was there, sound and whole, in full length. On close examination, however, I could see where most of the breaks had been, and the first section, about an inch and a half long, was not perfectly in place, so that the fine longitudinal lines of the figure were perhaps one-sixteenth of an inch out of the way. The remaining fractions corresponded, not with that, but with the body. I did not know then that this putting together process was seriously controverted by scientific men, and supposed from previous careless experiments that it was only the illiterate who doubted.

One More Victim.
The statements which have been made in the *Argosy* with reference to the poisonous nature of cigarettes were vividly illustrated by the recent death of a Brooklyn medical student, the son of the late President Arthur's law partner.

Prof. Henry and Pound Foolish.
Prof. Henry of the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D. C., at the age of sixteen, read a primer-book on science, which started him on his great career as an investigator of nature. His name is honored throughout the civilized world, and his statue is in the National Capitol.

A Quaker, from the country, went into a city bookstore, and one of the clerks thinking to have a little fun at his expense said to him: 'You are from the country, are you not?' 'Yes,' answered the Quaker. 'Well here's an essay on the rearing of calves that you would probably like to buy.' 'That,' said the Quaker, 'has had better present to thy mother!'

Reason! reason! as much as you like; but beware of thinking that it answers to every thing, suffices for every thing, satisfies every thing. This mother loses her child; will reason comfort her? Does cool reason counsel the inspired, the heroic warrior, the true love? Reason guides but a small part of man, and that the least interesting. The rest is feeling, true or false, and passion good or bad.

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About Telling the Truth.
All noble boys and girls tell the truth as a matter of course; in fact, the greatest possible insult that can be offered a person is to doubt his word. No matter what consequences are involved, it is always your duty to tell plainly and clearly just what has happened, so far as you are concerned.

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