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#### OUR EMBRYONIC POE.

Senior Sha, our newly-hatched warbler of Davidson College, swoops down upon us again. Evidently his poem printed in The News and commented on a few days ago, made a hit with himself, for he began turning the crank right off. Preceding his second assault comes the following note of explanation:

"I appreciate your write-up. My incentive is entirely experimental. If I am, or can be, a poet, I want to know it, and I want the public as a judge. A few nights ago I was sitting in my room in the attic (third floor) of the old college dormitory. It was midnight. The lights were out, and I was lonely, dejected, and sad. I imagine I must have felt at Poe did the dreary night he wrote 'The Raven.' He has always been my favorite poet and I have studied his works intently. Sitting thus I was aroused from my stupor by a pistol shot. Some fellow student had shot a helpless dog as it gently tipped by his door. Hearing the pitiful moans of the dying animal I was seized with an irreplaceable desire to avenge the soul of this—so nearly human—being. In this state of mind I penned these verses."

Having experienced all these nameless aches, and apprehensions in the early years before we achieved our fame, we can appreciate our young bard's feelings, and can advise. You have lonesome and dejected feelings before writing, "Senior," and so did Poe, as you say. You have two legs also (we trust); so did Poe. One symptom brings you as near the immortal author of "The Raven" as the other. Your trouble is with your liver. Child of Folly, and not caused by the visitation of the Divine Goddess of Poetry. Liver, and "no more." You should take something for it; for you're wasting good hours from study; and then, Poe might not like the way you are copying him, and we can't have Poe's rest disturbed.

We shall let "the public judge" if it is not liver disorder, by giving them one or two snatches on the immaculate little canine that met such an untimely death while strolling through the dormitory corridors. This is a part of what was called down upon the memory of little fuzzy wuzzzy:

The first act finds the poet-freshman waiting for hazers and thinking of those pies baked back on the farm. It runs:

"The wind without is howling,  
The rain in drops is-sounding  
Upon the tin roof above;  
My soul in mystery is shrouded,  
My eyes in mists are cloaked,  
For, I sympathize, I love!"

The scene changes. Tender sensations of love are moved to emotions of hatred. The plot thickens! Before the bulging eyes of the poet looms the dead canine, and the bloody villain who wrought its end.

"Oh cruel man! Oh, devil!  
Is it love of evil,  
To prompt an act so base?  
Surely, God has cursed you,  
And, by Neptune, I hate you!  
—Are you of a human race?"

"The dead; God, 'twas inhuman,  
I loathe! I hate you man—  
If man you call yourself!"

From the villain the writer's mind reverts back to faithful Tige:

"I love that spirit passed away,  
I love that ghost and will away,  
By God, 'twas a lesson meant!  
The body; there helpless lies;  
The spirit has flown beyond the skies,  
'Twas the message of a spirit sent!"

Then the poet gets home-sick. (Note the Poe style):

"Thus I was sitting in my front the fire,  
Contented at this—and no more,  
As I wondered, doubting and in despair,  
Then I pondered, wishing I were there,  
Yea, with the spirit evermore!"

The villain has taken himself hence, and the finale finds the poet more composed:

"Thus the weird shock found me,  
In a state of perfect safety,  
Wishing for nothing more."

We would quote more; but it's too painful. We submit, it was bad enough for the pup to be murdered, without further indignities.

"Gentle reader," how do you like our

### embryonic Poe? Didn't we tell you the Tar Heel brand was the real article?

#### THE COMPROMISE PROPOSITION.

Yesterday's News contained a full story of the compromise proposition submitted by Governor Glenn to the railroads of the state, and which compromise has been accepted by the Southern and the Seaboard Air Line. As yet the A. C. L. has not agreed to it and the other roads are to be heard from.

In brief, the proposition means, that if accepted, and if sanctified by the legislature, a flat two and a half cent rate will be put in operation on all lines in this state. There are other concessions, on the part of the railroads, in regard to mileage books, etc., but these are of lesser importance.

It looks now as if an extra session of the legislature may be called, to pass upon the compromise reached between the governor and the Southern and S. A. L.

It is hard to predict what new developments may appear within the next few days, but it would seem now that there is good chance of an amicable settlement of the hard-fought litigation that has engaged the public mind for months past.

The News has always favored a flat two and a half cent passenger rate, although it has considered this less important than some material reduction in freight rates, and the fact that there is a likelihood of this rate being established is encouraging. It has been our opinion all along, and oftentimes expressed, that a flat rate of two and a quarter cents per mile, in view of the vast expenditures demanded of the roads in this state, in the way of double tracking, extension of lines, new construction, etc., would work a hardship on the railroads of the state. When the matter was up in the legislature this paper stood for this contention, and has ever since, and we are glad to note that the sentiment has been gaining strength.

In our judgment, the proposed compromise, which The News predicted some weeks ago was under contemplation, would be the wisest and best means of settling the dispute between the roads and the state.

If an extra session is called and this compromise is accepted, a very complicated question will have been settled with much less cost and trouble than any other course would permit of, in our opinion.

#### THE CHRISTMAS SEASON.

The Christmas spirit is in the air. The small tot plans by day the manner of his celebration, and by night his brain is racked with fantasies of toys and crackers, and myriad pictures of hoary old Santa Claus loom before his vision, and will not down. The grown up folks, too, have caught the infection, and feel the pulse of new life, the thrill of anticipated pleasure,—that undefinable suspense—the spirit of the Christmas season.

We are entering upon the most joyous of the year's seasons. And every class and kind is preparing for the best celebration ever had. Each year the spirit has grown, both the sentimental and the commercial phases of it, until there is little room in the mind for consideration of other things. Troubles are forgotten. The brooder forgets to brood, and the cheerful are over-joyous. Merchants have bought larger stocks of Christmas goods than ever before, and more people will give presents than ever before.

It would surely not be amiss to call attention here to a duty that the season brings. On the back streets, scattered here and there throughout our city, and over the country, there are numerous little fellows who are pathetically attempting to drink from an empty cup of joy. How they would rejoice over possession of a real toy, and how little would the loss be felt from the large stock coming to most of us! There are many older persons, too,—some bowed under the weight of physical pain, some enfeebled by poverty and old age—each suffering from some hardship or other that is foreign to most of us. To them Christmas means little—unless the hand of charity reaches them in their misery.

Each one can aid in making the phrase "Peace on earth; good will to men" universally felt, and that without special pains.

Let us see if we cannot carry the Christmas spirit to places where it has not been enjoyed before.

The Winston Journal speaks of the importance of North Carolina in her trade relations with the world, in the following unique manner:

"With Elkin shipping blankets to Honolulu, Wilmington shipping crochets to Panama and lumber products to other parts of the world, Charlotte exporting cotton goods and textile machinery to foreign countries, High Point selling furniture to exporters and Winston-Salem and Durham selling tobacco products in every civilized country on the globe, North Carolina need not be ashamed of her manufacturing enterprises."

Mrs. E. Rackley and Miss Mary Rackley, of Morganton, were registered at the Selwyn today.

### What Ails You?

Do you feel weak, tired, despondent have frequent headaches, coated tongue, bitter or bad taste in morning, "heart-burn," belching of gas, acid risings in throat after eating, stomach gnaw or burn, foul breath, dizzy spells, poor or variable appetite, nausea at times and kindred symptoms?

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We copy here one of the Santa Claus letters sent to the News Santa Claus Bureau, for it is unique, and must interest everyone of our readers:

"Dear Old Santa:

"I am a little girl about 200 years old. I want you to please bring me some new streets; the new board of aldermen promised to give them to me, but as yet they have not done so, also please bring me two fire departments: I want one for Dilworth and one for North Charlotte, also please bring me a little iron bridge and a little school; I want to open up First Street."

"I would also like to have the Democratic State Convention. If you have an extra purchasing agent, you might bring him along."

"Your little friend,  
"MUSS CHARLOTTE."

#### Too Late.

G. Stanley Hall, the president of Clark University, said the other day at Worcester that the American baby suffered from not being allowed to creep.

"Creeping," explained this brilliant psychologist, "strengthens the chest, back, arms and shoulders. Young mothers should remember this. Even though the floor does soil their white clothes a little the creeping exercise should not be denied to babies."

He paused and smiled sadly.

"There is one baby, now a stoped lad in knickerbockers, for whom, alas, I sound this warning too late," he said. "I remind myself, here of the station agent who walked pompously into the railway station and shouted in a loud voice:

"Any more here for Osakosh? Train's just gone!"—Washington Star.

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## WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

#### THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

- December 14, 1715—Thomas Dongan, royal governor of New York and New England, died. Born 1634.
- 1738—First bank post bills issued in England.
- 1781—The British evacuated Charleston.
- 1799—George Washington, first President of U. S., died. Born Feb. 22, 1732.
- 1845—British war against the Sikhs began. Ended with annexation of the Punjab in 1849.
- 1860—Lewis Cass of Michigan, resigned as Secretary of State.
- 1861—The Prince Consort, husband of Queen Victoria, died.
- 1868—House of Representatives announced its purpose to pay fully the national debt.
- 1878—Princess Alice, third child of the late Queen Victoria, died. Born 1843.

#### THIS IS MY 42ND BIRTHDAY.

Frank Nelson, Dr. Frank Nelson, a prominent educator who recently was elected president of Minnesota College, was born on a farm near Andover, Ill., Dec. 14, 1865. A few years later the family removed to Swedesburg, Iowa, where his father died when Frank was only 9 years old. Here, until he was 21, the young man attended Mount Pleasant Academy during the winter months, working between times and doing much home study. In 1889, practically without funds, he went to the state university, and worked his entire way through college. In 1892, he was graduated from the state university, having completed the collegiate course in three years. The same year he became connected with Bethany College, at Lindsburg, Kansas. He soon became prominent in educational work in his adopted state, and for four years was state superintendent of public construction of Kansas.

#### Bishop McQuaid in 85th Year.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 14.—Rt. Rev. Bernard J. McQuaid, for nearly 40 years bishop of the Roman Catholic diocese of Rochester, will enter upon his 85th year tomorrow. Born in New York, Dec. 15, 1823, received his education in Montreal and at Fordham College. He was ordained a priest sixty years ago next January, and his first pastorate was in New Jersey. He founded Seton Hall College in that state and for a time was rector of Newark Cathedral. In 1868 he became the first Roman Catholic bishop of Rochester. During his long career in this city the diocese has become one of the first importance and he has taken an active interest in the educational institutions and all other matters relating to the church.

#### Bishop Canevin to Officiate.

Latrobe, Pa., Dec. 14.—Arrangements have been completed for the dedication here tomorrow of the new Holy Family Church. Bishop Canevin of Pittsburgh will officiate and the ceremonies of dedication will be participated in by a number of other prominent prelates and priests of the Roman Catholic Church.

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### To-days Sports Told In Brief

George Mullin, one of Detroit's star pitchers; is playing indoor baseball at Washah, Ind.

The Western League magnates will be asked for a franchise in order to place a team in Kansas City, Kas.

Another "knock" for the Osler theory. Jake Beckley leads the American Association in batting for 1907.

Indianapolis has a Gliggy Bluk society. They are willing to go against anything in the Hoosier metropolis in an effort to break the baseball hoodoo.

If Paekie McFarland should lose a battle whom could Joe Gans pick for the lightweight champion?

Frank Mantell, who has a decision over "Honey" Mellody, will meet "Rube" Smith at Denver the latter part of the month.

Gunner Tomr didn't want to shake hands with Tommy Burns before the fight. Must have been afraid Tommy might hit him when he wasn't looking.

There are few harder working pugilists than the Sullivan twins, Jack and Mike. They are always willing to take on anyone at any old weight and then work hard to win.

Chief of Police Cowles of New Haven, says sparring exhibitions do not pay because the public want prize fights and prize fights will not be permitted in New Haven.

Bowlers at the coming Cincinnati tournament will not be allowed to wear suspenders. This rule was passed as a favor to the boys carrying a large front addition and weighing 285 pounds or more.

Gene Demont says that he has a position in Birmingham that pays him \$150 a month the year round and that he has given up playing baseball for good.

A single season often brings about remarkable changes in the careers of

ball players. A year ago major league clubs would not have Joe Kelley at any price. Today the Boston Nationals are willing to make almost any concession to secure the services of Sir Joseph.

William J. Clymer, manager of the champion Columbus team of the American Association, has made a bid for the Wilkes-Barre club in New York State League.

While Pitcher Gehring heads the list in Western League batting for 1907, Rader of Pueblo is the real leader. Gehring hit for .496 in 39 games, while Rader's average was .346 for 62 games.

At the National League meetings Col. George Dovey of Boston, has about the same experience as a new senator at Washington. He always has a bunch of rules to offer, but the magnates are about as deaf and dumb as the members of the senate when a first-terminer takes the floor.

According to a Boston fight and fighters there are but two out-and-out champions in the ring today. Heavyweight Jeffries retired without any successor. The middle-weight and welterweight titles are in doubt, and the same is true of the bantam-weight championship. The two undisputed champions are Joe Gans in the lightweight division and Abe Attell in the featherweight class.

Even a maiden's blush is a cheeky thing.

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