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MR. OGDEN'S PROPOSITION.

Far be it from us to impugn the motives of any person ostensibly occupied in doing any good work. It is a bad policy to "judge," as we are told in Holy Writ, the motives that inspire the actions of our fellowmen.

De that as it may. It is not our purpose here to discuss Mr. Ogden's plans for the negro of the south.

He has just taken a step of far greater importance, if recent dispatches are to be credited, and it is relative to his latest move that we wish to here confine our attention.

From the Hartford Daily Times we take this extract from a speech of Mr. Ogden, to which we invite close attention:

Robert C. Ogden, speaking last night at the dinner of the University of Georgia Society, at the Hotel St. Regis, in New York, declared himself in favor of national aid to education in the south.

For his willingness to lend his aid to the vast army of earnest men and women all over the south who are today engaged in lifting the opprobrium of illiteracy that has so long hung over the south, every one must be thankful.

Mr. Ogden is right in part—"there is still much illiteracy in the south, and, as he observes, "some of it among descendants of the best stock that ever came to this country."

The very fact, as Mr. Ogden cites, that "in North Carolina alone one thousand schools have been established in the last three years," is sufficient to demonstrate the excellence of the south's plan.

"National aid" would mean national supervision, and well it should. Realizing this, the south is hardly willing to surrender the right of states to regulate their own affairs, on the altar of a puny

appropriation, were there no other considerations.

A fact still more potent, however, and one which unfortunately Mr. Ogden and a few other northern gentlemen seem to have overlooked, is that instead of accepting alms, the south would consider the proffer an insult of the most unexcusable nature.

The south is growing rich. Few sections of the United States, if any, have come to the front in a business way so rapidly. At the present rate the south will soon be the richest section of the nation.

And in the day-break of coming wealth the south is amply capable of educating her citizens. Mr. Ogden, no doubt, means well, but his judgment is wonderfully defective.

From the Washington Herald we desire to take the following quotation, from an editorial on Mr. Ogden's new idea, which expresses well the view of the south:

"Mr. Ogden, however, fails woefully to comprehend southern character if he believes it would welcome anything in the nature of an agitation for national aid to the education of the south. It is not too much to say that the south would regard such an advocate as extremely impertinent, to say the least of it."

"The south is proud, sensitive, honorable. There is a way to approach it and feel assured of warm and courteous reception therein. There is another way that locks its gates with steel against even intentionally friendly invasion."

According to reports, the city fathers, at their last meeting, gave passing attention to the need of revising Cushing's code of rules governing parliamentary practice.

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The rapidity with which the automobile manufacturing business has grown is almost inconceivable. According to reports just given out by the Licensed Automobile Association \$2,302 pleasure automobiles were built and sold in this country during the year closing January 1st.

"It is now time," remarks the Raleigh Evening Times, "for the usual amount of spring poetry."

How will the railroads remain in business if the thing keeps up. Some cold-blooded economist now suggests that they haul chorus girls by the pound.

The "Paragrapher's Union" is certain to remain masculine, for, as the Times-Dispatch observes, "Women never paragraph, they column."

None of the states appear to be anxious of robbing the night rider of the claim that he "was bred in old Kentucky."

Mr. Willis Brown is spending a few days in Wilmington on business.

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The democratic state executive committee will meet in Raleigh on the 11th inst. to decide on the time and the place for holding the next democratic convention. It is up to Charlotte to bring every pressure to bear to secure the convention.

The Atlanta Georgian continues to employ the "reframed" method of spelling. We doubt if the Roosevelt-spirit is felt strong enough, however, to cause our contemporary to refuse coins bearing the old time inscription.

THE MAN AND HIS JOB.

By Herbert J. Hapgood.

Don't wait to be told. Act on your own initiative, and make of yourself a being distinct and self-reliant.

When a thing is to be done, do it. Don't wait for the next man, but you yourself perform the act, accomplish the result and receive the credit.

Many men of ability are content to carry out the orders of others, and only when the unexpected happens that they are forced to be independent and made to stand on their own originality.

It takes a good man to execute another's plans, but the man who makes his own plans is a genius.

Be original! If envy is ignorance, then imitation is suicide, and the man who waits to be told what to do next will never be in a position to direct the work of others.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

- March 4. 1782—British House of Commons resolved to end the war with the United States. 1789—First Congress of the United States under the Constitution met. 1805—Napoleon issued orders for his projected invasion of the British Isles. 1817—James Monroe inaugurated President at Congress Hall, Washington, the capitol having been destroyed by the British. 1842—Admiral Sir A. K. Wilson, V. C. of the British navy, born. 1849—"The Wilmot Proviso" passed by Congress. 1851—Henry Smith, the first American governor of Texas, died in Los Angeles. 1855—Inauguration of Abraham Lincoln and Andrew Johnson as President and Vice-President of the United States. 1870—Thomas Scott shot at Fort Garry by order of Louis Riel. 1893—A revolution broke out in Honduras. 1906—General John M. Schofield died Born September 29, 1831.

THIS IS MY 52ND BIRTHDAY.

Edmond F. Noel, Edmond F. Noel, who recently succeeded James K. Vardaman as governor of Mississippi, was born in Holmes county, that state, March 4, 1856. His father was rendered blind as the result of a wound encountered in the civil war and young Noel was left as the main support of the family. Until he was 21 years old he worked on a farm. He then went to Lexington, Ky., and studied law with an uncle. In 1877 he was admitted to the bar and at once began the practice of his profession in his home county. In 1881, at the age of 25, he was elected to the legislature. From 1887 to 1891 he served as district attorney. Upon the expiration of his term as district attorney, Mr. Noel resumed his law practice and did not again enter public life until 1895, in which year he was elected to the Louisiana senate. He continued a member of the senate for eight years and during that time he framed many of the most important laws now on Mississippi's statute books. He contested the governorship with Mr. Vardaman in 1903, but did not succeed in his ambition to win the high office until four years later.

Any lawyer will tell you that every man should have a will of his own.

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Barringer Says he Acted in Self Defense. Special to The News. Salisbury, N. C., March 4.—Mr. John T. Barringer, who is in jail awaiting the result of his wife's wounds, inflicted by him Saturday night by cutting her throat, says that he acted in self-defense, that she attacked him with a knife and inflicted a wound on his neck and hand.

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Women have a kind of sturdy suffering which qualifies them to endure beyond, much beyond, the common run of men.—Burns. North Carolina. Mecklenburg County. Notice is hereby given to the public that application will be made to the Governor of North Carolina for the pardon of Amzi Helms, convicted at the December Term, 1907, in the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County, for the crime of manslaughter, and sentenced to the public roads for a term of 12 months. AMZI HELMS, By Stewart & McRae, Attorneys. 3-21-aw-4t

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