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HERE AND THERE.

It is hard to conceive of such a difference in prices of ordinary commodities here and in Cuba, that we call right at our doors. Pork at 10 cents here and 50 cents there. A turkey at 75 cents to \$1.00 here and \$5.00 there and so on along the line. It would seem that a supply would reach in quickly till there would be no difference above the cost of handling and the import duty. With money precious as it is bound to be and the necessities of life at fabulous prices it is not a wonder that suffering has been great and doubtless is yet. As water seeks its level so does trade seek a balance and prices will doubtless even up at no distant day. The time can't come fast enough for the suffering, however.

BLIND TIGERS THERE TOO.

Our neighbor, Monroe, is stirred over the contest to have or not have the legislature to repeal the dispensary law. If repealed it means open bar rooms. The Enquirer thinks the dispensary has been a very marked improvement over the bar rooms. They have the blind tigers too, and a "Committee of Ladies" speaks some plain things to the officials for its downing. That liquor evil is a squirming serpent whose head is hard to crush. But for the victims it constantly makes there might be a thought of turning it loose. It is clear that the dispensary is not the panacea for blind tigers. It lies in constant watchfulness with a determination to hold them in check.

When that New Jersey paper declared for Grover Cleveland is the logical candidate for 1900 the Charlotte Observer undertook to guarantee him four votes in North Carolina in the event of his nomination. We said nothing, thinking of course, that the Observer had The Standard men in mind in counting his four. The Gastonia Gazette has found a man to make it five and the Observer has found two more making it seven. The Statesville Landmark, however, comes forward with at least a dozen. If The Standard man was not one of the original four please set us down at least thirteen from up here.

Dr. Pemberton, Ashcraft, Blair, Wiley and Massey, of Union county, have organized and created a "Delinquent List." They say that unless collections are assured they cannot meet the necessities of successful practice and they deem it in expedient to increase fees. This will put a stop to changing doctors because the bills have accumulated. There are other businesses that would have a better chance of a living if there were delinquent lists.

SCHLEY PRAISED IN VERSE.

In discussing the naval personal bill on Friday Congressman Berry got off the following unique poem:
"When the Spanish fleet with full headway,

Dashed out of Santiago bay,
Taking the chances of death and wreck,
Who stood on a Yankee quarter deck,
And marked the game with eagle eye;
Say, was it Sampson, or was it Schley?
(Laughter and applause).

"Who was it; when shot and screaming shell,

Turned Sabbath calm into echoing hell,
Steamed into the thickest of the fray;
His good ship leading all the way;
While the roar of his guns shook earth and sky,

Say, was it Sampson, or was it Schley?
(Laughter and applause).

"In American hearts, who holds first place,

Of those who claim part in that glorious chase?

Whose name stood out on that proud day,

As the hero of Santiago bay?
In letters of gold, write that name on high;

Shall we write it Sampson or write it Schley?"

(Laughter and applause).

Our thanks are tendered Mr. R. J. Klutz, of No. 6, for some of the last of his delicious Toney apples.

Mr. Klutz tells us he had plenty to enjoy over the holidays. Next to munching this luscious fruit oneself is the pleasure of contemplating the frugal farmer with all provisions in sight and crops growing under the snow while he can enjoy the evening and as much of these rough days as he cares to with his family around his good backstic fire, wanting nothing that his own labors could produce during the previous summer. He has his cares but many are the joys.

From present appearances the Democratic General Assembly will find enough in the penitentiary affairs to make all the powder needed in an ordinary campaign. It seems that it will take an appropriation of \$50,000 to pull it through the next year. Nothing could stay the current of discontent and fault finding in '94 and '96 and the State went head long. We'll all have time to pay for the folly with 5 cent cotton.

However at variance with the views of his political opponents the whole Democracy on a few essential issues the dropping out of such pure statesmen of giant intellect as Congressman Dingley is to be viewed as a national calamity and a cause of general sorrow.

A Deserved Tribute.

Mr. Gray, Democrat, introduced a joint resolution in the United States Senate Friday as follows: "That in recognition of the patriotic devotion and bounteous benevolence of Miss Helen Miller Gould to the soldiers of the army of the United States during the war with Spain, the cordial appreciation of Congress is hereby tendered to her, and Congress hereby authorizes and directs that a gold medal with appropriate designs be prepared by the Director of the Mint and that said medal be presented to her by the President of the United States at such time and in such manner as he may determine."

The resolution was referred to the committee on military affairs.

Unprofitable Hogs.

A rural subscriber asks: "Do hogs pay? We know that a good many don't. They take the paper several years and have the postmaster send it back marked 'refused.'" Such a breed is usually two-legged and unprofitable.—Kansas Journal.

Brain Didn't Like the Sample.

A wooden leg saved the life of a man named Kelly, who lives in Pike county. Kelly was returning from a visit to the home of his sweetheart at Barryville, a few miles distant, late on Sunday night, when he was chased by a bear. A wooden leg impeded his progress, and the animal soon overtook him. With one cuff of his paw Kelley was sent sprawling. The bear pounced upon him and began chewing at the wooden leg, but after consuming half the leg, trousers and shoe, Bruin evidently became disgusted and walked away. Kelly reached home nearly frozen, but thankful that his life was saved.—Philadelphia Times.

He Won the Prize.

The following poetical effusion won for its author, the editor of the Rocky Mountain Call, the prize of \$1,000 for the best appeal poem to subscribers to pay up their subscription:

"Lives of poor men oft remind us honest men won't stand no chance. The more we work there grow behind us bigger patches on our pants. On our pants once new and glossy, now are stripes of different hue, all because subscribers linger and don't pay us what is due. Then let us be up and doing; send in your mite, however small, or when the snow of winter strikes us we shall have no pants at all.

Reduction of Salaries and Fees.

The action of the Legislature in reducing the salaries, and the number of employes in that body is commendable as it is a practical declaration of economy and retrenchment in the very beginning of the session.

Now let us have a reduction in the fees in the county offices. The fact that they are Democrats should not deter a Democratic Legislature from doing its duty and obeying the will of the people who bear the burden.

Compensation for services of public officials should be reasonable, but not more than is paid by a well managed corporation, or a prosperous man in his private business.

Jim's Name Must Come Off.

A bill was introduced in the House Friday to remove all names from the corner stone of the new building at the Blind Institute and inscribe instead the date of the founding of the institution and the erection of the building. It provides that inside of the building shall be a tablet with the names of B. F. Montague, chairman of the building committee; I. M. Proctor; H. Marson; H. O. Herring; J. R. Williams; Jno. Ray; Principal, and F. P. Milburn, Architect.

The bill passed its several readings.

Bishop Keener is credited with saying that "it is merely a question of time with an editor; and if he lives long enough he will lose every friend he has." If the Bishop said that, he was wrong. An honest editor will find the people as appreciative as he is deserving. In the Bishop's case, they thought so much of him they elevated him to the bishopric.—News and Observer.

Too Great a Risk.

"James, if anybody inquires for me today, tell them I am not in."

"Yes, sir."

"There might possibly be one who would not have a bill," muttered the young man, "but I'll not risk it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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865 "	9 "	25c. "
548 1-2 "	9 "	27 1-2c. "

The bulk of these goods would be cheap at 25 to 33 1-3 per cent. more but the quantity is larger than we care to handle at regular prices, for our stock on hands January 1st amounted to 745 yards, making our present stock over 4,000 yards. In looking through the 12 1-2c. lot we found the same goods we're selling at 18c. while the same discount does not run through the entire line. We can assure you you can save money on every yard, whither it is 3c. or 37 1-2c. goods.

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D. J. BOSTIAN.

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