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### BILL ARR'S LETTER.

A few days ago I received a letter from a friend and it was post-marked Pelzer. He said he wanted to see me to talk to the people, and he wanted to fix the day and the compensation for loss of time and waste of tongue. I had never heard of Pelzer nor could I find it on my antiquated map. But I did find it on one of later date, and I supposed it was a small village that had a cotton mill and a dam on the Saluda and some tenement houses. Nevertheless, I accepted the call, for the offer was liberal. The next mail brought a similar invitation from Piedmont, the other mill town, only six miles from Pelzer.

So I journeyed from Atlanta to Greenville, and there changed cars for my destination, which was only 20 miles away. It was night when I reached the place. My good friend, Mr. Padgett, who is the Democratic postmaster, the town, for it was quite dark. "What is the prospect for an audience?" he inquired. "Very good," he said. "I think you will have several hundred people out to hear you." "Why, how large is your town?" "What is your population?" "About 7,000," he said. "I was amazed, and I never heard of any Cartersville and I never heard of any Pelzer. He explained by saying that it was only twelve years old, and had four large cotton mills that employed over 2,000 operatives, and the country around it was about 3,000 acres of land, and all the houses and stores and churches and several miles of the river. "Did you advertise me pretty well?" I asked. "Oh, yes!" he said. "We church folks told it to everybody we met, both in the town and in the country, and they said they were coming." "Publish it in the papers?" said I. "No, no. We have no papers here, and no printing office. We did not even have a poster or a hand bill but talked it a good deal."

Well, I listened and wondered, and my confidence was shaken. After a bountiful supper and a little mixing up with the children, we went to the large church where I was to hold forth, and found it already pretty well filled. In a brief time I stood before more than 500 people, and was inspired to make my best effort, for I had an orderly and attentive congregation, and we all fell in love with one another. We have had a more gratifying lecture occasion. Next morning was spent in viewing the city and the mills and the library. The merchants carried immense stocks in large stores, and there were many nice residences for the managers and heads of the mills and the partners, but they were all built and are owned and leased by the mill company. This company owns and controls every foot of land and everything that is on it. Captain Smythe, of Charleston, is the king, and he is a big, hearty, and every body respects and loves him. He is a son of that celebrated Presbyterian minister of Charleston who during his ministerial life, was a notable man in religious circles. I remember that he was one of my father's friends. Who is your mayor now, and how do you like him?" "My mayor nor aldermen, no municipal corporation, no marshals nor police. Captain Smythe runs the town. Everybody who comes here for employment is investigated carefully. His antecedents must be good or he can't stay. We have no lawyers here, and we don't have any. We allow them to come in and look around." "Did you know that I was a lawyer?" said I. "Oh, yes; but we learned that you had quit the practice and reformed, and so we invited you to stay."

"I don't see any negroes about here," said I. "No, we don't want them. There are a few, but they live outside. Some of them cook and wash for us, but Captain Smythe don't want us to mix with them or depend upon them. He wants everybody to depend upon themselves as much as possible." "And so you have ruled out lawyers, editors and negroes?" "Yes," he said. "We have no saloons or blind tigers or cigarrettes." "How about doctors?" I asked. "Oh, of course we have doctors; yes, we have two doctors and one dentist and four preachers, all select, and one photographer." The company has a good library and pays a man to keep it.

### Reflections of a Grass Widow.

Chicago Tribune.

A wedding fee is not wholly wasted. It helps to support the preacher. There is no fool like an old fool—except a young fool who marries one.

Never throw a pair of old shoes after a bride. Save them and give them to her. She will need them some day.

If you are faithful in sewing the buttons on your husband's trousers he will think you ought to be able to make your own buttons.

If you humbly ask your husband for money you spoil him. If you demand money you raise a fuss and want to know if you think, by George, he is one of the Rothschilds.

Never marry a man with the idea you are getting one of those superior young men you read about in Julia Magruder's or Frances Hodgson Burnett's novels. They don't exist, my dear.

Don't save the letters your husband wrote to you in the days of your courtship. If he should find them some day by accident and read them he will be much disgusted.

If your husband turns out to be the man you thought he was when you married him, and never gives you a cross word, don't tell any other wife about it. She will not believe you.

### New Use in Disinfectants.

An English clergyman was walking through the outskirts of his parish one evening, when he saw one of his parishioners who was whitewashing his cot-pole. The parson, pleased at these somewhat novel signs of cleanliness, called out, "Well, Jones, I see you're making your house nice and smart."

### EDUCATION OF THE NEGRO IN THE SOUTH.

Baltimore Sun.

A case which was argued in the Supreme Court of the United States on Monday involves a most interesting and important point—namely, whether the States of Georgia and South Carolina should be required to provide equal school facilities for whites and blacks. The Board of Education of Augusta, it appears, is about to establish a high school for white children in that city. A number of colored residents have taken the matter to the courts, asking that an order be issued either compelling the Board of Education to give colored children the advantages of a public high school or to refrain from carrying on white high schools for the support of which the petitioners are taxed. The case involves the construction of the Federal Constitution, and in some measure the right of Federal courts to determine how money collected by the several States by taxation shall be expended.

Those who are not familiar with conditions in the South might infer from the reports of the colored press, and in some instances from the reports of the white press, that they are the victims of unjust discrimination and do not receive a fair share of the school funds of the State or city. This is highly improbable. If the colored taxpayers of the South were to have the benefit of all the taxes levied on every road, every mill and municipal treasury, the entire amount would not, it is likely, give them the school facilities which they need and now enjoy. Unless Georgia is unlike every other Southern State, the whites practically pay all the expenses of the State government and the cost of maintaining the schools and asylums. In Virginia a few years ago it was estimated that colored taxpayers contributed less than 10 per cent of the sum required to defray the annual expenses of the State government. The proportion may be even higher in Georgia than in Virginia, but there can be no question of the fact that in Georgia, as in Virginia, there would be few schools of any kind if the taxes paid by the whites were in the same proportion as those paid by the negroes.

The generosity of the southern white people in providing educational facilities for the negroes is worthy of the highest commendation. It is not sufficient to say that it was their duty to do what they have done. If they had pursued a different course under the conditions favored by the majority of the South, they would not have been censured very severely, for their property had been destroyed and many of them were almost penniless and unable to provide properly for the educational needs of their own children, much less the needs of the children of their former slaves. This fact should be overlooked in any such sweeping denunciations, they did not discriminate against the negro, but allowed his children to have a share of school funds which were derived almost entirely from taxes paid by the whites.

### Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident is narrated by John Oliver, of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My back was almost paralyzed, my tongue swollen, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50c, guaranteed at Fetzler's drug store.

### Bismarck's Iron Nerve

Was the result of his splendid health. Indomitable will and tremendous energy. He was not found where Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Bowels are out of order. If you want these qualities and the success they bring, use Dr. King's New Life Pills. Only 25 cents at Fetzler's drug store.

"So!" exclaimed Senator Sorghum, indignantly, "that man told you my voice was for sale."

"Well, you can go to him and refute the calumny. It's for rent once in a while, but never for sale."

"Harry," said the teacher, "in your essay on 'George Washington' you say that he never went fishing. What authority have you for making that assertion?"

"Well," replied Harry, "haven't you been taught that he never told a lie?"

### HORRIBLE AFFAIR.

Nashville Advocate.

We have never heard of a more terrible tragedy than that which took place on the 20th ult. in Leake county, Miss. A respectable farmer named John Gambrell, living at a considerable distance from any neighbor, went to the adjacent town of Canton to sell his cotton. When he returned he discovered that his house had been burned to the ground, and that the charred bones of the five members of his family were in the smoking ruins. As a matter of course the whole community became aroused over the occurrence. Suspicion fell upon a negro named Joe Le Flore, who, on being arrested, confessed that he had murdered Mrs. Gambrell and her children, and had then set fire to the house to conceal his crime. He was hanged on the 22nd ult. for the crime. Without the least delay he was fastened to a stake, a heap of fagots was piled about him, and he was literally roasted to death. The persons whom he asserted to be particeps criminis were all arrested. One of them, however, proved an alibi by a respectable white citizen, and was turned loose. The rest are held till it can be determined whether they are really guilty. If it should be proven that they had any connection with the murder it is certain that they will be hanged in the same manner as the murderer. The case is a sad one, and the execution of justice is a relief to the community. The people of the county are excited and bent on killing the murderer. The sheriff of the county is a quiet farmer, having a small farm, and so far as goes in this county is prosperous. He had about two hundred dollars in the house, and when he left he had no idea that this would excite the curiosity of men to the point of obtaining it they would murder five persons, burn them, and risk the chances of capture and death. It is now a fight in self-defense. The country is sparsely settled, and the people feel that unless the quintuple tragedy is averted, the lives of the whites will be in danger, and every man who directs or indirectly is concerned in it is hunted down and made to suffer the tortures of a slow death coming in the most excruciating form, he who next may leave wife and loved ones may have no reason to hope that they may not die as did the wife and children of John Gambrell. Through out the South, every man who is a lord of his own castle. He must protect his own home from the ruthless murderer. The sheriff in the county does not prevent crime in the way that he and his deputies patrol the country. He comes into evidence only after the act. Hence it is that such cases as are now in Leake county are moving in self-defense. They hope to strike such a blow that will stand as an awful warning to any wretch who, driven by carnage or by the desire to gratify other even if he must commit murder. Our readers know with what vigor and earnestness we have denounced all the forms of mob law. But what shall we say in a case of this kind? That the law ought to take its course is certain. But who can deny that his own life should be suspended under such circumstances? Let any man ask himself what he would do if his family had been dealt with as John Gambrell's was. The recurrence of such events as this sicken us to the heart, and almost cause us to lose hope. But we will insist that no action of any kind should be taken to gratify other than a desire to protect the innocent. Let any man ask himself what he would do if his family had been dealt with as John Gambrell's was. The recurrence of such events as this sicken us to the heart, and almost cause us to lose hope. But we will insist that no action of any kind should be taken to gratify other than a desire to protect the innocent.

### PRISON REFORM NEEDED.

N. C. Christian Advocate.

The Advocate has no sympathy with carping critics, nor with those who for selfish or political purposes seize upon every mistake on the part of men in authority to heap a tirade of abuse on their heads or write bitter things against them. But there are times when the most conservative and patient must speak out.

We have not felt called upon heretofore to speak of the humiliating, not to say disgraceful, things developed in the management of the convicts in our State prison and the farms connected with it. But recent investigation by the committee appointed by the last Legislature have brought to light a condition of affairs that is to us painful in the extreme. If the evidence reported by the daily papers, and notably by the Raleigh News and Observer, is true, then there is an immediate and imperative demand for a revision of our whole system of prison discipline.

### PART OF SUPT. MEBANE'S REPORT.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction has completed the statistical portion of his report for this year. It shows that the receipts were as follows: State and county poll tax \$303,313; special property tax, under local acts, \$15,781, and poll tax \$9,751; fines, forfeitures, etc., \$14,413; liquor licenses \$71,122; other sources \$50,275; total \$806,551. The balance on hand last year was \$189,081.

### How To Gain Flesh

Persons have been known to gain a pound a day by taking an ounce of SCOTT'S EMULSION. It is strange, but it often happens.

Somehow the ounce produces the pound; it seems to start the digestive machinery going properly, so that the patient is able to digest and absorb his ordinary food, which he could not do before, and that is the way the gain is made.

### Scott's Emulsion

You will find it just as useful in summer as in winter, and if you are thriving upon it don't stop because the weather is warm.

### PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

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Is again at his old place over York's Jewelry Store.  
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DR. W. C. HOUSTON,  
Surgeon Dentist,  
CONCORD, N. C.

### One Man Who Needs Hanging.

CAROLINA, Mo., Nov. 13.—News reaches here of a distressing tragedy at a levee camp, below here. Charles Pearson, who for some reason became angry with a family named Poe, came to Poe's tent with a double-barreled shot-gun and fired both barrels into the tent, striking and dangerously wounding seven out of the family of nine.

### More Moving Literature.

"Do you know, Margaret," said a Columbus father to his 18-year-old daughter the other morning, "that it was after 12 o'clock last night when that young man left here?"

### As to Graveyard Fences.

It was a Maine graveyard and the fence thereof was in a most disreputable condition.

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