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BILL ARP'S LETTER.

Atlanta Constitution.
Married and gone. It is the same old story. Love and courtship. Then comes the engagement ring and a blessed interval of fond hopes and happy dreams, and then the happy day is fixed—the auspicious day that is never to be forgotten—a day that brings happiness or misery and begins a new life. Then comes the license, the permit of the law which says you may marry, you may enter into bonds. The state approves it and the law allows it, and it will cost you only a dollar and a quarter. Cheap, isn't it? And yet it may be very dear. Then comes the minister, and the happy pair stand up before him and make some solemn vows and listen to a prayer and a benediction, and they are all in a moment the trusting maid has lost her name and her free will, and is tied fast to a man. Well, it is tied fast, too, so it is all right all round, but I have diagnosed him from his face and features and am satisfied with her choice. He is a big-hearted gentleman, or else the signs fail. I wanted to be present and give them my blessing, but was not well enough to go—I've got the elephantiasis from my toes to my knees, and can hardly meander across the room, but I am always interested in the marriages of our young people. It is the most serious business in this life, and of the peril of it was known beforehand many of the young people would hesitate to make the change. The chains of matrimony and the bonds of marriage are the right words. When men make a partnership they can't get along well if they are unlike in disposition, or in moral principle or in business ways, but they can dissolve and separate at pleasure and try another man. A man and his wife ought to be alike in almost everything. In some things folks like their opposites—their counterparts. A man with blue eyes goes distracted over a pretty girl with hazel eyes—I did, and I'm distracted yet when I look into them, though I've been doing that for fifty-four years. But in mental and emotional qualities and in tastes and habits and politics and religion they should class together.

I never made any mistake about my choice of a partner for the dance of a life, but I've thought of it a thousand times that if Mrs. Arp had known I loved codfish and got up by daylight every morning, she never would have had me. It was nip and tuck to get her, anyhow, and that would have been the feather to break the camel's back. Well, I'm mortal glad she did not know it, though I am free to say that if I had known she slept until the second ringing of the first bell for breakfast and was fond of raw oysters, it would have had a dampening effect upon my ardor for a few minutes, only a few. But I have seen some mighty clever people eat oysters raw and sleep late in the morning. But still a man and his wife can harmonize and compromise a good many of these things, and it is a beautiful illustration of this to Mrs. Arp cooking codfish for me and fixing it all up so nice with eggs and cream, and it is a touching evidence of my undying devotion to her to see me wandering about the house lonely and forlorn every morning for an hour or two, and forbidding even the cat to walk heavily while she sleeps. That codfish business comes to me honestly from my father's side, and my mother put up with it like a good, considerate wife, and we children grew up with an idea that it was good. I've heard of a young couple who got married and went off to Augusta on a tour and the feller stuck his fork into a codfish ball and took a bite. He choked it down like a hero, and when his beloved asked him what was the matter, replied: "Don't say anything about it, Mandy, but as sure as you are born there is something dead in the bread."

Well, we can make compromises about all such things as habits and tastes, but there are some things that won't compromise worth a cent. If a girl has been brought up to have a good deal of freedom, and thinks it no harm to go walking around with every gay Lothario who loves to dance, and after she gets a feller of her own, wants to keep at it and have polluted arms around her waist, she had just as well resign farewell to conjugal love and domestic peace, for it is against the order of nature for a loving husband to stand it, and he oughtn't.

And now another busy year has gone—gone like the water that has passed over the dam—gone never to return. It has carried many friends along with

SAM JONES' LETTER.

Atlanta Journal.
I have been thinking over the annual rounds that make up life's pilgrimage. Once I thought that humanity moved in a straight line from the cradle to the grave, but our lives are in a circle, we go round and round and round until we get in the habit of going round, and as we move around the circle wherever we have acted badly or played the rascal we look on that point of the journey with regret, and wherever we have acted nobly and manly and justly we look on those points with pride and gratitude. God has fixed it so that we view again and again and review the deeds of life as we go round the circle. We were talking tonight about lives of railroad men. These engineers go up the road one day and down the road the next, with hand on throttle and eyes on the track. These conductors go through the cars collecting tickets and fares, pulling the bell cord for flag stations, seeing passengers on and off at every station, and I remarked: "What is it that keeps this sort of a life from being a humdrum, monotonous life, for it is not a monotonous life. The engineer who sits on his engine if he were only to look at fields and cuts and mile posts and forests his life would be unbearable, but the consciousness that he is pulling that train from start to destination, that human lives are entrusted to his care, that the steam gauge is to be watched the time table and his chronometer must tally, the grades must be pulled, the road crossings must be whistled for, the meeting points must be made, with a thousand incidental things which come up to keep him interested from start to finish, and his life is anything but a humdrum life. It is so with the conductors, and then when we think of the merchant who puts on his hat in the morning, takes the same street car, or walks down the streets stopping at the same paving every morning to his place of business, marching around behind the same counters, showing the same goods, etc., why is not his life a humdrum life? Because it is true of him as it is of the locomotive engineer, that the thousand incidents that come up in a day's trade keep his mind and thought busy as well as his hands. No, his life is monotonous that is a busy life. With the busy lawyer, the busy farmer, the busy mechanic, the busy merchant. There are not enough hours in the day, nor days in the week, for him to do all he wants to do. There is something radically wrong with the life that finds the days and the nights too long and the hours wear heavily; that life is not in harmony with the world that God has put us in. That is what makes me say idleness is the fruitful source of almost every crime and every ruined life from the four hundred in New York to the ragged tramp along the roadside, whether they shall find their places in the chain-gangs or penitentiaries or not. The father and mother is to be pitied who will suffer their children to be idle. I have been thinking some of all classes that make up humanity's roll today. I have been thinking of newspaper men, from editor to devil, and sometimes we find both in one. I was talking to the city editor of a live evening paper the other day. He said: "I may not have but one virtue, but that virtue is sobriety. I don't drink anything, and if there is a man under my charge who drinks at all, I do not know it." He has a bright light of young men under him. What a blessing to young men to be under the charge of a sober man, and one who demands that they shall be sober. There is no broader field for brain than the daily newspapers of America furnishes. Never in the history of the world were daily newspapers read as they are today. The constituency of daily newspapers up until now, had been largely in the cities and towns, but the daily mail routes are carrying our daily papers into the homes of the farmer now as never before, and just as the rural constituency shall more and more come into the circle of daily readers, just so the newspaper influence of this country will grow and broaden. With live, bright men, as reporters and editors, with the wonderful type-setting machines and rapid presses and morning and afternoon trains, scheduled to carry the papers over the country, surely there is a field for brains and life and get up and get. Atlanta's papers are immense, and they are made by the men who run them.

I have been thinking of bankers, the men who run the dollars of the world. How we curse and court them by turns, and yet how essential they are. I have been thinking of a merchant with goods for sale and accounts to collect. We just can't get along without the merchants and he earns all he makes. I have been thinking of railroad presidents, general managers and superintendents. I see occasionally where newspaper articles recording belated trains and naming the hours they are behind, and yet I have lived close enough to superintendents and general managers for years to know that all the

friends who are looking for friends on trains combined, are not as anxious for trains to run on time as superintendents and general managers are. They are chagrined and befuddled and defeated when trains cannot be kept on time. It is a joy to them to run them on time and chagrined and regret when they get behind. We may find fault. It is easy to do that, but the fellow who tries to run anything higher than the guns of fault-finding can reach, he must get above the stars with his institution. After all, when we sit down and think about it, most every fellow is doing what he esteems his level best to run (what he is running, and maybe he is running it a little bit better than the fellow who is finding fault with him. I believe you can get a fellow to do more sometimes by bragging on him than you can by cursing him. Let's try it for the coming year. A glad and happy Christmas and a great, good year to follow, is the desire of one who wishes the world well. Yours truly, SAM P. JONES.

Brooklyn Eagle.
Bobbett's Economy.
Bobbett was in a desperate hurry to reach home. He was already late for dinner, and Mrs. Bobbett had addressed an ultimatum to him on this subject for every morning. So he closed a Flatbush car a block and a half and was breathing like a blast furnace when he caught it. On the rear platform he handed a dime to the conductor and received the customary nickel in return. But what with the fluster of his violent exertion and numbness of his cold fingers, he dropped the nickel, and it rolled off to the ground. Now, Bobbett is a man of economical impulses. Not that he is inordinately stingy, but he believes in having a run for his money, as horse people say. He would not mind giving a nickel to a deserving beggar, but to throw one away in the street seemed to him wanton waste of a pretty good thing. So he jumped off—jumped hastily and inconsiderately, slipped down, tore his trousers, crushed his hat and raised a lump on the back of his head. Twenty minutes later he boarded the next car and took a seat beside a friend. "What's the matter, Bobbett?" said the friend. "You look as if you'd been arguing with the earth." Bobbett told his story circumstantially. "But I found the nickel, by gum!" he added, holding the coin triumphantly aloft. "I've spoiled my clothes and I don't know but I've cracked my skull, but I've got the nickel, by cracky! I expect Mrs. Bobbett'll say things that'll out like a sawedged collar, but by Jimmy Christ, I saved that nickel, just the same." "Fare, please!" said the conductor. Bobbett gave him the nickel.

A Marvelous Invention.
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TEMPERANCE LEGISLATION PROPOSED.

The following are the features of the temperance legislation proposed by the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League in session with authorized representatives of the North Carolina Methodist Conference and the Baptist State Convention:
1. Prohibition of sale or manufacture of intoxicating liquors outside of incorporated towns. Prohibition of sale of liquor in towns of less than 500 population, whether incorporated or not. Prohibition of manufacture of liquors in towns of less than 1,000 population, whether incorporated or not.
2. Local Option elections in incorporated towns of more than 500 inhabitants at any time upon 30 days notice and upon petition of one-third of the qualified voters; provided elections shall not take place oftener than once in two years.
3. In such elections the question of saloons or prohibition, or saloons or dispensary, or dispensary or prohibition, may be submitted as petitioners may request; only one question at an election, however.
4. After July 1, 1903, all applicants for license to sell or manufacture, liquors shall present with their application petitions in their behalf signed by a majority of the qualified voters, save in those towns and cities in which between the date of the enactment of this bill and July 1, 1903, an election shall have been held and carried for saloons. These propositions are clear, and need no exposition. They look to the suppression of the saloon and distillery in the rural districts, and to the local option elections in the towns and cities in the near future on a fair and reasonable basis. There should not be a saloon in any town or city unless the majority of the people expressly call for it.

The people of North Carolina are entitled to this. They have long been opposed to the saloon. They have never had a fair chance in a struggle with it. They have been hampered by the ignorant vote. They have stood in fear of division. But these things are now passed. And now that they are passed, the General Assembly should freely grant the people's petition for a fair opportunity to grapple with the evil that in their long affliction fastened itself upon them. Especial attention is directed to paragraph four. That calls for the recognition on the part of the General Assembly that the people of North Carolina are moral people. The saloons now exist not with the consent of the people of North Carolina, but solely because conditions have prevented the moral forces of the State from asserting themselves in elections against the saloons. Every intelligent public man in the State knows that this is true. It is but reasonable to ask now that the patience of the people be rewarded, and that the true attitude of the majority be recognized. It is unreasonable to presume that the saloons should not be opened unless it is expressly voted by the majority to open them? Is it more reasonable to presume that the people of North Carolina desire the saloons—recognized as ruinous, as the sources of all manner of crime—to go on with their work unless they vote to the contrary? To be sure, he does violence to the character of the people who holds that they favor saloons and that saloons must exist until they have been voted out. One does not ask a good man if he loves virtue. His character is answer. One who believes in the people of North Carolina will say that the people desire the saloons closed, and he will not ask the people to prove this, but will bid the saloon men improve it. This is just what paragraph four calls for. It is fair; it is representative; it is reasonable; it is only a just recognition of the patience of the moral forces of North Carolina; it presents them with the opportunity that they have long waited for. In their name we ask for this recognition and this opportunity to vindicate themselves and those who respect them. J. W. BAILEY.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 2, 1903.
The Executive Committee—N. B. Broughton, A. J. McKelway, J. O. Atkinson, T. N. Ivey, I. C. Blair, J. O. Oats, J. W. Bailey, and Q. K. Nimocks, representing the N. C. Conference, and M. L. Kesler, representing the Baptist State Convention.
The assessment on property in New York city has been increased about \$3,000,000,000 under the policy of assessing it at full value.

Andrew Carnegie has given New Orleans a quarter of a million dollars for a New Year's gift. The money is to be devoted to a man's library. The city is to furnish the site and furnish \$25,000 a year for support.
The New York Post Office took in \$12,425,795.58 last year, or 13 per cent. more than in 1901, with a profit of \$8,021,764.87, or 15 per cent. more than in 1901.

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CAVE IN HILLSIDE REVEALED BY SPARKS.

Several Officers Discover Most Ingeniously Constructed Still Ever Made in Hills.
ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 9.—Just two or three little sparks, floating upward from out of a hillside in a secluded spot in the northern part of Rockdale County, disclosed to a quartet of Uncle Sam's sleuths one of the smoothest and most ingeniously constructed illicit distilleries with which officers of the law have ever had to deal. By directing their footsteps toward the spot from which the chance sparks arose, the officers located a full-fledged copper still in operation snugly hidden away in a cunningly arranged cave down under the hillside. Contrary to the expectations of the officers, no one was found in the cave. The operators had probably heard their approach and made a hasty exit. The furnace was aglow, however, and the still was in full operation. About 100 gallons of beer and five gallons of sing lings were destroyed. The officers participating in the raid were Colonel Davis A. Cates of Atlanta, internal revenue agent, and Deputy Marshals John Lane of Villa Rica and John Hays and John New of Lithonia. It was suspected that a still was in operation in that section and Colonel Cates planned the raid. The officers visited the locality and made a thorough search, but to no avail. Not the slightest evidence of a still was to be found and they began to think they had gone against the wrong trail. The night was dark and the quartet was moving cautiously along through woods and underbrush on top of a hill when one of the officers, glancing over toward a parallel hill, noticed a few tiny sparks arising slowly from the hillside, soaring upward a few inches and then vanishing, resembling the preliminary warning from the crater of a volcano. The still hunt through the darkness and loneliness of the night was of itself weird enough, but the officers were unable to understand this apparent phenomenon. However, they decided to investigate, and proceeding down the hillside and through the valley at the bottom, crossing a small spring branch, they ascended the opposite hill. No more sparks guided them, and they were compelled to make their way as best they could remember the direction. Finally, while at a certain point, they noticed a faint glow further up the hill and they made for that point. The glow remained only for an instant, however. The officers struggled up the hillside and finally the little party came to an abrupt halt; for one of the men came very near falling into a small hole in the ground. A closer investigation told them they had found the object of their search. The hole was just large enough to admit the entrance of a man's body, and a few feet below the surface was a dirt landing. After reaching this landing the interior of the cave was exposed, the floor being reached by means of a ladder. The cave was about ten feet deep and six or eight feet wide. It was located in a clump of woods and was so constructed that the trees and shrubbery were left growing on top. Inside was all the paraphernalia necessary for the successful operation of a still. The moonshiners had not stopped merely with the cave, but carried their cleverness to the extent of providing water without having to go outside. A well had been dug from the bottom of the cave. The smokestack ran alongside the manhole, and the top was covered over with boards and dirt. The sparks were evidently caused by the throwing of wood into the furnace; showing that the officers had missed the operators by only a few minutes. A feature that mystified the officers is what became of the dirt from the cave. There was not the slightest trace of the dirt anywhere about the place, neither were there any wagon tracks. It is believed the dirt was carried away in buckets, which must have made the job tedious. Another circumstance

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WOMEN AS WELL AS MEN ARE MADE MISERABLE BY KIDNEY TROUBLE.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition, beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased. Kidney trouble has become so prevalent throughout the world that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If this child grows up too often, if the urine soaks the flesh or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage of its excrement, it is not uncommon for the child to be afflicted with kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose. Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy. The mild and safe, immediate effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail, free, also pamphlet telling all about it, including many of the thousands of testimonial letters received from sufferers cured. In writing to Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention this paper.

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