

The Messenger

A TWO-EDGED SWORD.

A two-edged sword has this Watts law become—and it behooves the conservative, patriotic people of the state to see to it that its slaughter of the hopes of continuance of good government and democratic rule in our dear old state shall cease.

In the fight between the two, what is going to become of the democratic party, on which depends so much of the prosperity and advancement of our people in wealth, education and moral improvement?

In some counties, because the men nominated by the democratic convention are not prohibitionists, the ticket is considered no good by a minority element, and it meets and launches into the already disturbed ranks of that party a full county ticket composed of men of its own views on the liquor question.

There is plenty of time after the political issues have been settled and the party candidates have been elected to settle the question as to local option dispensary or open saloons.

Let's all unite as we have done heretofore in electing the democratic candidates and save the state from return to republican rule, then take up this moral question.

In this fight over the liquor question, if brought into politics at the approaching election, the democrats have everything to lose and nothing to gain.

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Maine, Vermont and Arkansas vote for state officers today. Of course everybody knows how they will result, still there is some interest in the vote in the two New England states.

A FACT ABOUT THE "BLUES"

What is known as the "Blues" is seldom occasioned by actual existing external conditions, but in the great majority of cases by a disordered LIVER.

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MR. BECKWITH'S STATEMENT.

We take the statement of Mr. B. C. Beckwith, given below, from the Morning Post of Sunday. Now that the question of lease of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad has been settled and the contract made, we think it is time to stop discussing the merits of the question.

Mr. B. C. Beckwith of the state board of internal improvements, who returned yesterday morning from Morehead City was asked by The Morning Post if he had anything to say about the lease of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad.

"No, not now; but I must congratulate, The Post, You and the Charlotte Observer and the Wilmington Messenger have accomplished that which you undertook. You've forced a lease of the road. You are IT—no doubt of that. Your guns have silenced the others or captured them, and knocked me out.

"Well, you've been persistent, insistent and consistent in your efforts to force a lease, and you've won. I like a fighter. I despise a quitter."

This paper has not taken part with any other in attempting to force a lease of the road. It has thought all along that it would be better for the road and also for the state that it should be leased, and we have persistently urged that the state authorities should take this course.

In reference to Mr. Beckwith's statement that The Messenger "held the board of internal improvements in mighty low contempt in April last, during the investigation of the affairs of the road," we make positive denial and assert that not a line can be found in the columns of this paper during the month of April last, or at any other time in which The Messenger used any language contemptuous of the board of internal improvements, or of any member thereof.

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If the Messenger has been partly instrumental in bringing about this lease, as Mr. Beckwith says it has, we feel well repaid for our labors in knowing that we have brought about a condition which will bring into the state treasury thousands of dollars yearly, where heretofore there was an annual drain to keep this property afloat—to say nothing of the dividends which will for the first time in the history of the road annually drop into the pockets of the private stockholders.

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THE CLARKTON TRAGEDY.

Up to this writing the two men who are accused of the horrible crime at Clarkton last Saturday are safe in the county jail in Elizabethtown. There was a crowd of fearfully wrought-up men at the scene of the tragedy Saturday night and Sunday, and as the evidence against the men is so conclusive it is remarkable that the county officers were able to prevent a lynching and to get their prisoners away.

They did so shows great coolness and determination on their part and they deserve all praise for their conduct. When we consider the nature of the crime and all the surrounding circumstances, had the friends of the dead and the living who have so suffered at the hands of these brutes visited summary furnished on them, who is there who would have the heart to say that they should be punished? Lynching, we "now, is a criminal offence. It is technical murder. Mob law is a dangerous thing because of the precedent it sets for violence and defiance of law and order, but then we are all human, with a large mixture of brute nature in us and when such crimes as this are brought home to us—are committed against friends or perhaps relatives we have little thought of any but the one law of quick and just punishment. Had the friends and relatives of the poor dead mutilated woman taken these fiends from the hands of the officers and riddled their bodies with bullets or hanged them to the nearest tree their conduct could not have received severe condemnation from public opinion. It is true that if these men are guilty they will suffer death by the judgment of law. Nothing can save them. This is the right and proper course for the case to take, but what we want to say is that under the circumstances no one could severely censure the people of Bladen county if they took the law into their own hands and executed the guilty parties.

Sunday's dispatches brought no news of consequence from the seat of war in Manchuria. The first Russian corps which was in danger of capture has succeeded in joining the main body of troops. The authorities at St. Petersburg seem to be in the dark as to General Kuropatkin's movements. There is great disappointment that after making the stand that he did at Liao Yang he should have been compelled to retreat before the Japanese forces, after destroying and abandoning his immense army stores at that point.

The Charlotte Chronicle does not seem to have been much impressed with Hon. F. D. Winston's speech at Concord last Friday.

Judge Brown will secure a well deserved rest from October 7th, to the first of next year, when he will take his seat on the Supreme Court bench. He will go to this court with a reputation earned upon the Superior Court bench, which any member of the court of last resort might envy.

The officials of the agricultural department dismiss in a very cavalier manner the charge that there was information secretly given out before the official report was made public. They seem to think that all that is necessary is for them to deny the positive statement that the figures were in the hands of certain persons in Savannah before the department report was published. This may satisfy the department men, but hardly those who have made the charge.

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GEORGIANS TO VISIT ST. LOUIS.

Governor Terrell and Staff and the Legislature Will be Present on Georgia Day.

Atlanta, Ga., September 5.—Extensive preparations are being made among the Georgia state officials to represent the state at the St. Louis World's fair on Georgia day, which is set for September 28th.

Governor Terrell and his staff, and the Georgia legislature in a body, will leave Atlanta on a special train over the Southern Railway at 4:30 p. m. Monday, September 26th and will arrive in St. Louis at 2 p. m. the following day. The train will go via Rome, Dalton and over the Queen and Crescent to Lexington, thence to Louisville and St. Louis. This train will carry a large number of prominent Georgians, and will ensure the success of the day, chosen in Georgia's honor. Special trains will also be run from Brunswick and Macon to Atlanta, bringing prominent citizens from the southern part of the state who will be with the party to visit St. Louis on Georgia day.

A Labor Saving Idea.

Eva Ryland-Gaillard in National Magazine.

Realizing the fact that the cutting out of round cookies was the main part of the work because it necessitated handling and rolling part of the dough over again, as well as making hundreds of other useless motions, I decided that an easier way was good enough for me and abandoned the "cookie cutter" at once, and forever. Nowadays I roll the dough into a thin sheet and with a thin knife cut it into bars or squares. The cookies are certainly as pleasing to the eye; as easy to bite or break in every way as desirable as the round ones, while they have the advantage of requiring less space when put away. The change from round to square cookies proved the biggest "little help" toward saving time, strength and patience that I have found in a long time.

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"How old are you, sir?" asked the physician, brusquely. "Sixty-two," replied Dr. Emmons, quietly, although his eyes showed his surprise. "May I ask your age in turn?"

"I've been alive since the creation in one form or another, said the physician, curtly.

"Ah, then, I suppose you were with Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden?" inquired the doctor.

"Certainly," came the reply. "Um," said Dr. Emmons, placidly, meditating on the other's face. "I always thought there was a third person there, but some have differed from me."

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