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AN ARRANT HUMBUG AND A DANGEROUS SUGGESTION

That arrant humbug, civil service, is being warred upon in the congress by a part of the republicans. But for that party this British system would have never been foisted upon this country. We never approved of it, but have uniformly denounced it as anti-American, anti-democratic. Why should any portions of officials have life tenures in office any more than president or the cabinet or the foreign officials? If it is Published in New York. to be a life time business let the British system operate from highest to lowest. The queen holds for life and so should the American president if the life tenure theory is to prevail. There are some 130,000 officials under the federal government. Why should these favored ones out of 70,000,000 be retained in office through administrations and generations to the exclusion of all others equally as meritorious and capable? In fact it is coming to light that the civil service men do not render really as efficient service as the new men who are not of the perpetuals. But if they were turn about is fair play. In a republic like our own the interests of the people are better served and protected by a change in officials than by an army of office seekers sucking for his way to the senate. life. The statesmen of former generations were not so enamored of this Brited and manned by officials of the opposition. No captain would be willing to fight with his regiments manned by officers of the enemy. But whether the arguments urged for the British system as applied in this "land of the free" be strong or weak, the fact remains that it is to a great extent a miserable sham as administered. Already, after a few years trial, the new secretary of the treasury finds the civil service fellows absenting themselves for two months each year and yet drawing pay for full time, thus getting from the people two months' wages to which they are not fairly or legally entitled, as they contracted for a years work. The system is falsely based and badly worked. It is a miserable fraud as well as a wrong. The St. Louis Republic, democrat, thinks if a change is not made, the death sentence upon the entire plan will be pronounced. The following

imported among a free people "In announcing a few days ago a reduction in the salaries of the large number of clerks in the treasury department who have become so old that they can no longer do full work, Secrery Gage dealt a hard blow to the life so stoutly contended for alled civil service reformers. y's action is, of course, stablishing a civil penon list, which in the end will be as heavy a burden upon the country as

is timely and shows more of the fraud-

army pensions. By no stretch if the doctrine of gratstude can it be claimed that the governent owes clerks and other divil employes anything beyond the remuneration which is paid with a certainty and a regularity that cannot be depended upon in any commercial or other business pursuit. It is, therefore, not only un-American in principle to establish a civil pension list-and that is a logical outgrowth of the "merit system"-but at is an outrage upon the tax payers." You see how this vile plan works? First, you see men put in places of the government and kept there indefinite-By. Next, they being intrenched, "feel their oats," and take holidays amountling to one-sixth of their working time for which they engaged, and still receiving full pay. Then comes the atstempt to pension these perpetual teatsuckers at the expense of the people. It is not enough to rob the tax payers of hundreds of millions of dollars to provide for rascals who in fraud draw pensions, but the army of clerks must be pensioned too after drawing pay for decades. The very suggestion is vile and not to be tolerated for an hour. This is only another indication of the steady trend: towards a monarchy-the constant aping of foreign ways and practices. It shows that the republican politicians are now so completely saturated with the "national" idea and affected by the strong government idea, that they lose sight of the people, of the real fundamentals of government, of the great principle enunciated by President Lincoln (but borowed) that is guaranteed to do this work good. ours is indeed a government of the Try it. Free trial bottles at R. R. Belpeople and by the people and for the people. Let no patriot stand for a moment the suggestion of pensioning the federal officials.

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## - HOME FOLKS.

Russell's lawyers are greedy and big pay for small service is in order. Bleed the people to death is the game of the remorseless. What a sop the Tsar threw to the band of brothers.

It is to be hoped that the venerable Judge Dick will not retire. He has character, ability, learning and experience, and it will be very difficult to find his equal among the officeseekers who desire to step into his sandals and wear his robe of office.

Rumor hath it that the governor will visit the president at Washington in behalf of his friend Charley Cook, who eagerly craves the eastern solicitorship. He is not fit for the place, but will progressive farmers in the state." probably do as well as some other fellow of the same political stripe. The indeed-are made more astonishing Tsar's persuasions for help and place, when we learn that he large crops were for his henchman Cook must prevail made "on common uplands that proto the song of the syren.

publishing interesting testimony, and to study the situation and tearn how regrity, economy, efficiency, sobriety much of it, proving that the battle flag to grow cotton with profit. The Char- and fidelity. Speed the day!

of the North Carolina Fourth was never lost or captured at Sharpsburg recently of the Founth we thought it terwards the Fourteenth.

### THE PERIODICALS

The 'Art Amateur for January is to ed at 23 Union Square, New York City. a year. Rev. Wm. P. Jacobs, editor. The Wake Forest Student for Januany has a variety of contributions and editorial work. It has three of four articles of a Christmas kind. It is neatly gooten up. Price, \$1.50 a year, or 15 cents a copy. Published at Wake

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### SNAPS.

The increase last year of the output of gold is reported at \$8,400,000. The increase in population was probably

There are too many trading politic-

Governor Culberson, a very handish system as to hold that a democratic some man of good abilities, has formally announced himself as a candidate for United States senator from a cost of \$30.50; counting his own work adminstration must be supported, serv. mally announced himself as a cardi-Textas.

> There was a considerable emigration from Japan in 1896-19,072. Of these 1,100 came to the United States, and over 9,000 went to Hawaii. That is a fine country to annex.

lina's most gallant and noble soldiers, buking. He died at Barnwell on the 3rd inst. aged 69 years.

General Longstreet is a republican and holds office. He has a son-in-law who is a democrat, but the old genéral asks for him to be made a postmaster. It is grub that fixes him

Horrible indeed! In 1896, 366 little children were sent to the Infants' Hospital on Randall's Island, near Philaulent character of the foreign systemdelphia. Of these "innocents" 354 died-a per centage of 96.7. That is the most horrible massacre reported in any civilized country.

> Corbett, the defeated bruiser, is "spillin for a fight" with Fitzsimmons, who knocked him out so completely by the punch in the stomach. He of fers Fitzsimmons \$5,000 if he will meet him in a glove fight. He offers Fitzsimmons \$1,000 to sign articles to meet him, \$1,000 the moment the latter steps into the ring, \$1,000 at the end of the tenth round, if the fight shall be prolonged to that extent, and \$2,000 more when Fitzsimmons is defeated, no matter in what round it takes place.

The United States led all countries in 1897, in the product of gold-\$61,500, 000. The next highest was Africa with \$58,000,000. LAustralia was third, with \$51,000,000. But then think of the farms. The corn crop of 1897 is given at \$491,000,000, our wheat \$310,600,000, and even our lowly dats \$132,500,000 The New York World, a gold organ "More than that, the corn grown in the United States each year is worth more than twice as much as all the gold mined in all the world. Corn and its kind are real wealth: gold is only a counter.".

The Surprise of All

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New, Discovery says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pania could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Conumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from the first dose, and half a dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds lamy's drug store.

# GREAT FARMING IN SOUTH CAR-

That many of the South Carolinians given from time to time by the Charleston News and Courier show this. To make a bale of cotton to the acre is not infrequent. Recently a correspondent furnished it with many excellent examples that are at once encouraging and yet a reflection upon the farmers of others. They show what industry and toil and judgment can accomplish, and they rebuke those who cultivate with so little success and show such poor returns. The News and Courier said editorially of the reports of Marl-

"After giving so long a list of men who have made a bale, or more than a bale, to the acre, on farms ranging from 72 to 370 acres, our correspondent states that these are not selected and exceptional cases, and that he could "greatly multiply" such examples without exhausting their number! It is a remarkable showing, certainly, and it should

he a most instructive one to all the un-The fine reports-very extraordinary ers take heed and learn how it was | Med The Washington Messenger has been done. Send a committee to Marlboro patriotism" that demands in officials in-

"there is more in the man than in the land." The Marlboro men do not buy what they consume but live at home making their own supplies. Put a pin right there. There is an immense amount of "good hoss-sense" in kt. The following summary in the editorial of our contemporary is instructive. It says that, one of the farmers "It is noted, made 400 bushels of corn at a cost of little more than 7 cents a bushel. and another made 300 bushels at a cost hand, well printed, well filled, well 11- of 51/2 cents a bushel, exclusive of hire lustrated, as is always the case with of mules. Another planted 300 acres in this most excellent monthly devoted oats,' and his corn and pea crops were to arts in the family. It is strictly on the same scale. And the disposition number one, large and elegant. Price, is 'general' in the county to reduce the \$4 a year or 35 cents a number. Print- cotton acreage and increase the provision crops, although so much attention Our Monthly is southern and relig- has been paid to provision crops alious. It is printed at the Thomasville, ready." That is certainly a fine ob-Orphanage, Clinton, S. C. Terms, \$1 jective lesson. We must draw some what upon the communication that ap-Southland is a monthly published at pears in the News and Courier. We be-Greenville, N. C. It is devoted to his- lieve that we cannot better fill space tory and the Confederate veterans. than by reproducing such instructive Terms, 50 cents a year, or 5 cents for facts as to farming. We think every single copy. Henry T. King, publisher. farmer and merchant and railroad man will be interested in the examination of

"Colonel C. S. McCall planted the present year 1,248 acres in cotton, and made an average of 1,072 pounds of seed cotton per acre. He also planted 300 acres in coats, and after feeding about fifty mules, two and a half months, threshed 4,625 bushels. His corn and pea crop are in proportion to

Dr. J. L. Napier planted 80 acres, and made 84 bales. Charles Crossland planted 80 acres, and made 85 bales. On 120 acres E. W. Breeden made 130 On 360 acres T. J. Breeden made 350

On 72 acres C. E. Breeden made 71 J. F. Breeden made an average of ,370 pounds of seed cotton on 175 acres, and an average of 25 bushels of corn per acre, while his son, T. L. Breeden.

made about the same quantity of cotton and 30 bushels of corn per acre. L. F. Moore planted 95 acres and made 97 bales of cott on, and as a side industry sold in the neighborhood of 0 registered Essex pigs. C. A. Moore made 140 bales of cotton from 150 acres, and had gathered at last reports 17 bales from 8 acres, with a

small quantity yet to gather. J. D. Moore made 140 bales from 135 Sheriff J. B. Green made 386 balles on J. A. W. Moore made 100 bales on 100

C. M. Weatherly made 165 bales from at 50 cents per day.

I. C. Rivers, on same plantation, made 300 bushels at a cost of \$16.50, including all cost except hire of mules." Mark you, these are not "selected examples," but others are to be found all round the country. It is a splendid showing for South Carolina, and every North Carolina Confederates will be way most creditable to the intelligence sorry to learn of the death of General and thrift of the farmers. It is an ex-Johnson Haygood, one of South Caro- ample most stimulating and most re-

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## "A NEW PATRIOTISM."

Has it occurred to you that in this country, owing to the rapid growth of extravagance and abuses in the federall congress and among officials that it costs nearly four times as much to provide for one soldier as it costs in a great empire like Germany? So it s. From a recent pamphlet, written by a well-known northern divine, Rev. Dr. Washington Gladden, we take this, and it is conclusive:

"An intelligent young engineer, who has been living in Berlin for three years, repeated to me a few weeks ago a remark made to him by a German army officer. 'Our army,' said the Ger-'numbers 600,000 men, yours about 30,000; ours is twenty times as large as yours, but is costs annually only five times as much-in proportion to its size, your army costs four times as much as ours.' I did not venture to repeat the statement until I haid verified it. The official statistics of the last year show that the cost of the German army is 479,000,000 marks, or \$119,000,000; the lost of the American army is \$23,278,000; the one is only a more than five times the other; my friend's statement was very close to the truth."

This is but one example of many of the abuses heaped upon the heavily taxed people of our country by incapacitated and unprincipled partisans. The reader will at once recall the pension frauds and the vile system of rewards. Now there are nearly 1,000,000 pension drawers on the roll, and about 600,000 fresh applicants. Since McKinley went into the presidency, nearly ten months ago, nearly 10,000 new names of blood suckers have been added to the enormous roll. But how the Confederates did shoot. In every department of the government there are incapacity and laziness. Secretary Gage is showing up the laziness and bad conduct, for civil service employes manage to get two months off every year and draw pay for the same. Dr. Gladden is simply telling the truth when he charges that the administration. is "wasteful, costly, insufficient and corrupt." How this true statement riles some of the party organ grinders! Here is a statement most honest men

will credit. He says: "Quite a large pedatory class has grown up in this country, whose schemes of plunder mainly depend on the corruption of public officials. And the expectation of profit by such cor-

ruption is a large part of the reason why many successful politicians are seeking office." We are gratified that so prominent a writer and minister as Dr. Gladden is has written his pamphlet to teach the youth concerning the abuses and corruptions, the wild waste and vicious extravalgance of the federal government, and to try to arouse a "new patriotism." Gangrene and rottenness ramify the entire concern, and perhaps in every branch of the government. It is true, and possibly because true. that the present large expenditures can be reduced \$150,000,000 in one year without in any particular lessening the real efficiency of the entire service or in any way crippling an honest and capable administration. The multiplywith the accommodating McKinley- duced but a few hundred pounds of ing of offices and the vast sums wasted that is if the major's ears are open seed cotton per acre only a few years are alike dishonest and oppressive. It is ago." Let North Carolina cotton grow- time indeed for a higher and more

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is too little education along knowledge is taught in most of the schools. When practical knowledge is ed. Many graduates leave college with their minds filled with a mass of useless hings, many of which they have to unlearn before they lead successful lives. There are too few school advantages given North Carolina's children, but better methods of teaching are deof the tax payer will make him willing to pay more tax for schools.—Washington Messenger.

As appears in our Raleigh special, the ns, railroad commissioners, have lost their case in the supreme court of the state and have carried it by writ of error to the supreme court of the United The decision of yesterday will probably take somebody by surprise. We do not profess to know anything what-ever about the law in the matter and nence do not presume to criticise the court at Raleigh. But it seems strange to laymen that a governor can arbitrarily remove public officers—the members a court at that-from the positions to which they were elected by the legislature, without giving them an opportunity to confront their accusers. The right or the wrong of it, however, will be determined shortly, to everybody's conviction if not satisfaction, by the court of last resort.-Charlotte Observer. One year of republican rule in North Carolina should be sufficient to convince of their folly those democrats who de-serted their old party and aided in placing their state in the control of a party

that is uttirly unfit to govern any south-ern state. Yes, at the close of 1897, after the republicans have had control of our good old state for a whole year, it may be improper to ask what is the result and has it benefitted our people? Who wil say that the past year of republican rule has benefitted the people of North Carolina? How? Are the taxes any lower? Are there any fewer officers? Are public expenses any less? Are farm produets any higher? Are the fees and salaries of public officers any less? Who will dare to answer "Yes" to any one of the above questions? The verdict of all honest men must be "weighed in the bal-ance and found wanting."-Pittsboro

Rev. R. L. Patton has resigned as Bap-tist pastor at Morganton.

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118 MARKET STREET.

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DAILY. Arrives Fayetteville 12:10 p. m., 9:00 a. m. Sanford 1:48 p. m., Greensboro 4:20 p m, Walnut Cove 5:47 p.m., Mt. Airy 7:45 p.m. Connects with Southern Railway at Greens-boro. Arriving Salisbury 8:50 p. m., Asheville 12:12 a. m., Knoxville 4:00 a. m., Chattanooga 7:40 a. m., Nashville 1:35 p. m., Charlotte 10:00 p. m., Atlanta 6:10 a. m., Danville 12:00 night,

Lynchburg 1:58 a. m., Charlottesville 3:25 a. m., Washington 6:42 a. m., Baltimore 8:00 a. m., Philadelpnia 10:15 a. m., New York 12:43 p. m. TRAINS ARRIVE WILMINGTON DAILY. From New York, Philadelphia Baltimore, Washington, Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Danville, Mt. Alry, Walnut Cove, Greens boro, Nashville, Chattanooga Knoxville, Asheville, Salisbury, Atlanta, Charlotte and all points outh and West

North, South and West. Freight train No. 8 on the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley now leaves Wilming-ton at 3:25 p, m. arrives at Fayetteville at 10:00 p, m. Passenger car on this Connections at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Rairoad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air

Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Char-lotte Railroad, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western J. W. FRY, W. E. KYLE, Gen'l Manager. Gen'l Pass. Agent



Schedule in Effect May 30, 1897. Train 41.—Leaves Wilmington 3:20 p. m., arrives Lumberton 5:28 p. m., Pembroke 5:46 p. m., Maxton 6:12 p. m., Laurinburg 6:23 p. m., Hamlet 6:53 p. m. Connects a Hamlet with train 41 for Charlotte and

Atlanta, and with train 402 for Portse mouth, Richmond, Washington and points North. Train 41.—Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 a. m. m., Sanford 5:03 p. m., Hamlet 6:53 p. m. Rockingham 7:39 p. m., Wadesboro 8:11 p. m., Monroe 9:12 p. m., Charlotte 10:25 p. m., Athens 3:45 a. m. and Atlanta 6:20 a. m. Connection at Weldon with train from Richmond and all Northern points. Pullman sleeper, Portsmouth to Nashville.

Train 403.-Leaves Washington 4:10 p. m. Richmond 8:56 p. m., Portsmouth 8:45 p. m. Arrives Weldon 11:10 p. m., Raleigh 2:07 a. m., Sanford 3:25 a. m., Hamlet 5:10 a. m., Rockingham 5:23 a. m., Wadesboro 5:54 a. m., Monroe 6:43 a. m., Charlotte 7:50 a. m., Lincolnton 19:20 a. m., Shelby II:18 a. m., Rutherfordton 12:30 noon, Athens 1:15 p. m., Atlanta 3:50 p. m. Connections at Atlanta for all points South and West. Pullman Sleeper. Washington to Atlanta, and Portsmouth to Chester. and Portsmouth to Chester.

Train 38.—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 a. m. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 a. m., Maxton 9:05 a. m., Pembroke 9:31 a. m., Lumberton 9:53 a. m., Wilmington 12:05 noon. Connects at Hamlet with trains from Washington, Portsmouth, Charlotte and At-Train 402.-Leaves Atlanta 1:00 p) m. Ar

Train 402.—Leaves Atlanta 1:00 p. m. Arrives Athens 3:16 p. m., Monroe 9:30 p. m. Leaves Rutherfordton 4:35 p. m., arrives Shelby 5:55 p. m., Lincolnton 6:56 p. m., Charlotte 8:18 p. m., Monroe 9:16 p. m., Wadesboro 10:31 p. m., Rockingham 11:05 p. m., Hamlet 11:20 p. m., Sanford 11:02 a. m., Raleigh 2:16 a. m., Weldon 4:55 a. m., Portsmouth 7:25 a. m., Richmond 18 a. m. Washington 12:31 noon Pu m. Washington 12:31 noon. Po Sleepers, Atlanta to Washington Chester to Portsmouth. Train 18.-Leaves Hamlet 7:15, p. rives Gibson 8:10 p. m. Returning. Gibson 7:00 a. m., arrives Hamlet 7:5 Train 17.—Leaves Hamlet 8:40 a. rives Cheraw 10:00 a. m. Returning

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