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Editorial Briefs.

They are talking in Washington of Ransom and Avery—Jarvis and Alexander as Senatorial running mates.

We have heard some talk in North Carolina of Allen, of Goldsboro, and Lee Oyerman, of Salisbury. People are actually having the hardihood to claim that younger men should have a chance. But Thos. Carlisle said the people are mostly fools. Do the reigning powers really believe that? If some policies are persisted in—Marian Butler and Harry Skinner and Jeter Pritchard will take the cake.

Coxey has left Washington city in disgust. Camp Marian Butler went there to argue the government ownership of telegraph lines. We opine the distinguished Tar Heelian gave him some sound advice and he heeded it. Coxey surely could not have left out of chagrine at the sudden collapse of his army as a twenty-five cent show.

Mr. F. M. Simmons has been confirmed at last as Collector of Internal Revenue for this District. All is now calm and serene in office holding circles. The State Executive Committee has called a meeting to elect a new chairman and to call a meeting of the whole committee to fix a time for the State convention. Better have it late.

Absolute prohibition now prevails in South Carolina. It was dispensary liquor last month, it was free liquor last week and now the Supreme court has decided that it is no liquor at all from now out. Tilmanism has cut such varied and fantastic capers in South Carolina one would imagine that prohibition in fact was needed there a long time ago.

The majority of people, of Greenville in Pitt county, North Carolina are swift to refuse town offices, liberal in bestowing them and severe on office grabbing. They will cuss a little while and then go to sleep again.

Sad Loss.

For the third time Talmage has had his church edifice burned.

The building known as the Brooklyn Tabernacle which cost so much money and had such a debt on it that the devoted pastor resigned last winter until some friends came forward and assumed the obligations was the most famous popular church in the world. Sunday just after the congregation was dismissed and before Dr. Talmage left the church fire broke out from behind the organ, and soon the whole building was in flames. Nearly seven thousand

and people were at church that morning and it is fortunate the fire did not break out sooner.

Nota Bene.

We get a great many complaints from subscribers about the irregularity of their mails. Only this week complaints from Farmville, Grifton and Bethel are loud. Last week a bundle of papers mailed to Chocowinity was 'chucked' out of the mail car at a gentleman standing near the railroad by Mr. Hales, the postal clerk. They were brought to us and remailed. We personally see that every name on our list leaves this office. We know in so many papers as reach the Farmville, Greenville, Bethel, Grifton and Ayden offices, it is easy to make mistakes and we trust the P. M.'s everywhere will be as careful as possible. With such a careless postal clerk we can't say that the blame attaches to the P. M.'s. If so, we sincerely trust they will remember that when a man gets his paper all right, he sometimes says it is not worth mailing, but if he misses a single copy he will often walk a mile to complain of his great loss. Our readers will please let us know whenever they fail to get the paper. It is not the fault of this office.

P. S. The above was written three weeks ago. Out of kindness to Mr. Hales, the postal clerk, and at his request we would not publish it. It becomes absolutely necessary now that the trouble gets worse.

Praise from Sir Hubert.

Saturday night we took time to read the memorial exercises and addresses at Greenville. The tributes were by Maj. Louis C. Latham, ex-Representative; Mr. E. A. Moye, Mr. Andrew Joyner and Col. Harry Skinner—all lawyers, we suppose. They were all interesting and some quotable as well as enjoyable passages might be copied here and there if we had the space in which to do so. Maj. Latham's impressed us as the best. It has something of a classical flavor and was well wrought. They had had time and had prepared well. In his opening Maj. Latham said:

"Would that it had been possible as in the days of the Passover to have sprinkled his door posts with blood, that the Angel of Death might have passed them by! But an All-wise God, from whose edict there is no appeal, and to which we must bow in humble submission, had decreed otherwise, and Senator Vance has passed the shoreless sea which separates what we know of Time to what we dream or dread of Eternity.

There is a belief existing among the people of the East that from the hour of our birth to the moment of our dissolution, the Angel of Death, silent and unseen, is following stealthily in our footsteps, sometimes distant, sometimes near, but always pursuing, and we may well believe that the Senator had long rested in the very shadow of the fate that finally overtook him and that his quick ear had detected the ominous footfall behind him. But nevertheless the blow falls heavily upon the hearts of our people.—*Messenger.*

Mr. E. A. Moye is not a lawyer, but is the efficient Clerk of the Superior Court of the county. He is however a man of fine intelligence and his speech on the occasion referred to, though prepared hurriedly was considered a most excellent one for the occasion.

PEOPLE'S COLUMN.

The INDEX receives so many letters on matters of interest to the people we have decided to open a column for interchange of opinion. No letter will be published without the full name of the writer sent in to the Editor. Long communications not published. No abusive or personal matter will be printed. The Editor does not indorse any thing published in this column. His views are always expressed editorially. This is the people's column. They have a right to be heard. They shall be.

Mr. EDITOR:

The editorials alone in your issue of May 4th, are worth a year's subscription.

The public roads certainly need your attention. It is a shame they are so neglected. Some roads I try to travel are not worked once in six months and then with little or no judgment.

As Mr. Sugg came to the relief of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, we all out this way want to know if he was elected to teach private school all the time and give spare time to public duties of office. When we hire a man to work for us, we expect him to do it and give him Saturday evenings to work his own collard and potato patch. We ought to be as honest to the innocent school children that INDEX has talked so much and so well over.

Talking about reform, would it not be wise to change the county commissioners. Some of them have been in office long enough. Some times men stay in office so long they need a rest and their particular friends who are in the swim, and get all the appropriations year after year need a rest too. If the office is a blessing it ought to be distributed, and if a burden others had ought help bear it. What say the Commissioners and J. P.'s to this? I like the INDEX's ability, but more than all, its courage, and fairness and independence, and I ask that you print this for the suggestion of the whole people.

UNO.

Falkland, N. C., May 14, '94.

DEAR INDEX:

Last week you said our sick friend had an operation performed on his "vermifuge appendix." I am personally acquainted with vermifuge and know an appendix when I see it, but the article you mentioned is a stranger to me. Wasn't it a misprint? A. B. H.
Ayden, May 12, '94.

Not by a jug full! We said *vermiform*. You can't poke *vermifuge* down us. Our mother never tried it but once.

The "*appendix vermiformis*," is attached to where the larger and smaller intestines join. It is a long, narrow, worm-shaped tube, the rudiment of the lengthened caecum, found in all the mammalia and in you A. B. H., but not in the orang outang and wombat. You understand that don't you? It is from 3 to 6 inches long and about the size of a goose quill. A small seed sometimes drops in it, produces inflammation and the disease is called *Appendicitis*. It is only very recently that physicians have learned to diagnose the trouble and to cut out by an operation the dangerous sac and save life thereby. The physiological use or action of the vermiform appendix has never been well demonstrated. Its anatomical utility is so

doubtful, and its danger so great, that many physicians now advocate its extirpation in infancy. Dr. E. A. Moye tells us that it is done now by many New York and Philadelphia doctors. (Editor INDEX.)

The Power of the Press.

Last week the INDEX called for a change in the manner of paying the Mayor's salary, suggesting that the Mayor be paid a salary and that the matter of costs be turned in the shape of fines in the town treasury. This much needed reform was unanimously adopted by the Board, Monday night and although the Mayor's salary was increased to \$250, it will amount in the end to a saving of \$150 to \$200 during a year. If the Mayor *pro tem* or the Mayor *de jure*, or the Mayor *de facto*, or whatever he is, will get a dust on him, he can find ways and means to earn \$250 in various fields of usefulness to the town. We shall take pleasure in supporting, sustaining, and applauding him in every good move, but when he goes wrong the INDEX will only print the news truthfully and let the public be the victors.

SWEET POTATO PLANTS.—Red and Norton Yams—twenty cents per 100, \$1.50 per 1000. Patasaw Yams—thirty cents per 100, \$2.00 per 1000. Tomato—Pondorosa and Acme—fifty cents per 100. ALLEN WARREN.

Boswell, Speight & Co.

Are this week receiving another lot of new summer goods which they invite you to examine before buying!

For the Ladies!

We are showing

Nan-Kan Cloth's,
Dotted Swiss in
White & Colored,
Silk Foulards,
Woolen Challies,
Percalls,
India Lawns,
Figured Organdy Mulls,
Cheese Cloth,
Grinadier,
Chambray,
Ginghams,
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