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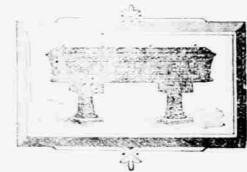
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There is a retribution in history ular government, should give courage then get compensation." and hope to the disfranchised men of non suffrage States. So long as civilization and christianity endure there is always reasonable hope for the ultimate subjugation of error enthroned; for the redemption of the weak and oppressed; cy which should be faced and not their property. It was made six years for the overthrow of apparently invincible wrong. If they but wait an hour, Hood's Pills take, easy to there is no human power which can there is no human power which can ary and Agricltural department have and that man the Governor of the evade the patient watch, the vigil FRANCIS A. MACON, long of the braye who seek to assaud the entrenched battlements of prevaillong of the brave who seek to assail ing privilege and lawless power. Through long and weary years freeborn Americans have suffered and enerk in operative and mechanical dured for the sake of their convictions, the Boyd's old rooms, over civil and political disabilities that were none the less remorseless and cruel because they were not expressed in written law. Men whose careers and characters should elevate their communities have been under the ban of political persecution and denied their con-Officer In Harris' law puilding near stitutional rights, while dwelling by tural Bureau, but for the fact that it is the fire-sides and the graves of their fathers. To-day we give thanks to the directed in the State Treasury without God of nature and of nations and to involving grave constitutional queshis Providence which shapes our ends, tions. By the abolition of the Bureau for the glorious fact that North Carohas declared for freedom of reau, there can be saved by the State thought, of speech and of action, for about ----, and by close scrutiny toleration and respect for the opinions of all and for liberty, regulated by

just and equal laws. NVESTIGATE CONDUCT OF DRUNKEN

JUDGES. There are many matters of domestic oncern which demand your thoughtful attention, such as the increase of the tax rate for the common schools and improvements in their management; the establishment of reformatories for youthful criminals; the adopion of a system of vagrant laws which, without cruelty or injustice, shall authorize the arrest and commitment of the homeless young and of the vagabonds and vagrants of the streets and highways; the adoption of a system of apprenticeship by which the neglected young may be taken from degradation and subjected to useful and elevating control; the protection of lawful public meetings against disturbances; charged with drunkenness on the bench; the extension of the criminal ourt districts so as to embrace more ounties and the rotation of these adges; and the adoption of measures calculated to attract the immigration of desirable persons in the State.

ELECTION LAW COMMENDED.

and from the methods that would have into their own lawless hands. Authorresulted in the permanent failure of ize their indictment and trial in counfree government and would have de- ties removed from their influence and graded us to the level of the riot-rid- put them on trial before juries who beden democracies of Central and lieve in order and law. South America but for the fact that our people rose in revolt against them and their authors, drove the usurpers from power and declared that knavery should be supplanted by honesty. Among the best features of our present election law is that which gives to judges of our higher courts a supervi sory power over election officers and gives summary remedies to compel the execution of the law. Our Supreme court judges have liberally construed this law in favor of justice and have struck terror among malefactors who hored to evade it. This jurisdiction ought to be extended so that the judges should have unquestioned author ity to supervise all the election officers because they are supposed to be rich. and issue proper and summary process to compel a compliance with the law. Much fraud and confusion would be avoided and greater certainty effected Alt Druggists sell it on a guarantee.

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> istration or other books. OUR JUDICIAL SYSTEM.

of election because of the loss of reg-

among these is the doctrine that equit- duction of traffic rates and to the exable remedies must be denied if there cellent service which is given by most be an apparent legal remedy. Laws of the railroads in our State. Their

or otherwise compelled to compensate, modities upon which they are levied. Actions of an equitable nature should be sustained even though there be another remedy known among the ought to be a controlling interest in

lawyers as the strictly legal. Equitable and legal remedies should e emulative. Preventive processes should be encourged and enlarged. The policy of every judicial system should be to prevent the commission of wrong. With the centuries looking | down upon us since the law was given 'thou shall" and "thou shall not," we should have passed the period when a complaintant could be told from the judgment seat "you have shown that of a free and honest ballot and of pop- but you must wait until he does it and

TO CUT DOWN EXPENSES. The condition of the State Treasury | cation to the Legislature. It was made s such as to demand the most severe economy in all departments of the to the people of the State, all of whom State government. This is an exigen- were interested because the railroad is evaded. The expenses of the State before the existing lease expired. It increased from about \$229,000 in State, who acted without the advice of 1880 to \$482,000 in 1890 and \$627,- their representatives. It was made, so 000 in 1896. This is an increase in far as the people know or believe, withexpense of 110 per cent. in ten years, out inviting competition among the and 176 per cent. in sixteen years, bidders. It was made under circumwhile the increase in wealth in ten stances which indicated intentionally years was only 45 per cent. and in six- secrecy. It was called a lease. It was teen years only 65 per cent. The in reality an attempted sale of this property of the State has been and is property belonging to our tax-payers taxed to about the limit of reasonable without consultation and without their endurance. Is it not clear that the advice or consent. Indeed, it was done only remedy is the reduction of pub- when they did not even suspect that it lic expenditures? There might be a was contemplated. saving in the abolition of the Agricul- NOT A LEASE, BUT AN ATTEMPTED PURsupported by a fund which cannot be of Statistics and of the Geological Buof all appropriations in all departments our expenditures may be considerably reduced.

When this Legislature adjourns the word should go out to the world that crimes called lynchings must stop in North Carolina. The way to end it is plain. Remove the excuse for it. It is no justification to say, what is not denied, that in many cases the vicims deserve what they get. Barbarous brutes who commit nameless crimes must be killed. But let it be done under the forms of law. Let there be none of the law's delay. Give the executive power to call a court instanter; order the judge by telegraph to the county of crime. Try the criminal; if proper for appeal convene the appellate court on shortest possible notice; send down the judgment and instantly perform its mandates. Scarcethe investion of the conduct of judges ly a case of mob murder of a guilty culprit has occurred wherein he would not have been convicted by judge and

jury. In most cases the lynchings have been attributable to a spirit of lawlessness. The only reasonable excuse that can be offered is in the failure or delay of the law. Make the law so that there can be no delay and By the election law of 1895 we were no reasonable apprehension of failure. rescued from the disgrace, degrada- Provide better remedies for the prostion and shame of a debauched ballot ecution of criminals who take the law

> THE BENEFIT OF RAILROADS The regulation of State and intestate commerce by common carriers is among the most important and far reaching questions of the day. North Carolina has derived more material benefit in the last fifteen years from railroad development than from any other one source. We should not for get that however profitable these investments may have been to non-resident capitalists, we also have been and are their beneficiaries. Their investments in these properties should be protected by our laws and by a public sentiment that frowns upon all attempts to make prejudice against them State, municipal and corporate promses made to them for the purpose of obtaining expected benefits to us should granted by such court, commission, be sacredly performed. We will not financial repudiation in any form.

encourage, sanction or countenance profits belong to their owners, are the servants of the public and under our system of government are subject to governmental control. The time is approaching, if it has not arrived, for the adoption of a policy which without should be made to prevent the failure wrong to their owners shall look toby the nation. While we admit our In 1868 our system of civil judicial obligations to those whose enterprise tempt to remove from your courts any procedure was revolutionized by the and capital have constructed and betamalgamation of the law and the eq- tered them, we must always insist upon uity courts. This change, then vio- just and strict enforcement of their oblently denounced has stood the test of ligations to the public. Against vigexperience and is now generally ad- orous opposition we have created a mitted to have been a great and last- railroad commission. Its benefits are It is submitted that it is your duty to corporate and other interests who seek of the past, let us realize that: ing reform. Yet much of the falla- apparent and ought to be admitted by cies of the old system has been pre- all. To it we are indebted for the served by the new. Not the least regulation and in many cases the re-

other jurisdiction. should be for the prevention as well passenger rates which prevail in our THELEASE SUBJECT TO SOVERIGN POWER. the real welfare of the State. The as the reparation of wrong. Wrong State seem to be not unreasonable. It But whether this ninety-nine year people have no lobby. These old should be prohibited and the remedies is questionable whether at this session lease be void or valid on the strictly for their prohibition should be as easy of our Legislature there should be at- legal merits existing at the time of its ple, are never heard except through and as universal as possible. No de- tempted a policy of rate reduction in consummation, it is to be remembered fendant should be heard to say that he this particular. As to freight rates, that this foreign corporation obtained THIS PAPER may be found on file at Got should not be enjoined or prohibited there are evidences that they are ex- and accepted it and claims a right to bade for IN NEW YORK from the commission of an unlawful cessive when compared with the enor- own and operate this railroad, not by gives expression to the popular will

law. Every one of our home railroadderives its powers and franchises under a written license, that is, its charter. As to these, the Legislature may re-

voke the license by repealing the charter. If it cannot revoke the unwritten license then it has come to this: that foreign corporations may come upon our soil and exercise these great pow ers and franchises without our consent and thereby obtain important privileges which are denied to our own peo-

REPEAL PARALLELING CHARTERS.

It is most important that the North will deny their jurisdiction and attempt | should be promptly repealed.

act because he can be held in damages mous decline of the value of the com- virtue of any North Carolina statute, and representation to minority. Coun but under an unwritten rule, which is cils and matters of local concern are known to lawyers as the comity of ignored in the strife of party rewards. States and nations. This unwritten This General Assembly will be called CAN YOU GIVE A BETTER DEFINITION rule, wherever it prevails, is always on to deal with the management of subject to revocation by the local sov. toxus and cities. There should be ereign. In this case you are the sov. no exempt to avoid the necessity of

ereign. The State may at any time preceding the tax pavers of these mudecline to extend this comity. This microalities against the danger of mis so-called lease was taken subject to rule by propertyless and ignorant elethis sovereign power. The lessees can. ments. We wan no Tunning Hali not be allowed to say that they have governments in North Cirolina. laws and thus put themselves beyond the power of the State and within the trious and thrifty people of other thousand answers. The definition protection of that clause of the Federal States and of Europe may be attracted below took the prize: Constitution which prohibits a State to us. Let us labor to show them a from impairing the obligation of contracts. This contention is no more tenable than would be that of a domestic corporation which would say administered as to make life and perthat the State cannot repeal its charac- son and property secure and peace granted under the State Constitution, and order as prevalent as in the which expressly reserves the right to States whose ruling elements point amend or repeal all charters. This with pride to the institutions, the ted. oreign corporation derives its right to by what is substantially a license from Puritan. the State granted under an unwritten

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found it paid them-your case

should not be different. Now is

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too busy to do it yourself,

no foreign or non-resident corporation and the tax payers of the State.

resident corporation which shall at protection against evasion.

enact such measures as are best calcu- to promote or prevent measures in

lated to bring up this question for which their concern is purely pecuni-

RATE CUTTING HELPFUL

foreign corporation is ultra vires and But let it be remembered that unfre- fruition of man's noblest aspirations.

their selected representatives.

THE GOVERNMENT OF CITIES.

Our present county government law

shall hold or operate any railroad with-

in this State, by lease, purchase or

otherwise, except upon a license to be

pose you let him try his hand on

for advertising purposes than

acquired vested rights under existing IMMIGRATION SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED There is reason to hope the indus-

> State with a school system like those of New England and the North West. and a code of just and equal laws so manners, the achievements, the moral

MORE PENSIONS FOR THE VETERANS. May we do a little more in the way of homes and pensions for the destitute survivors of the civil conflict? North Carolina had her soldiers in both armies. The national government cares much prized by two. should increase our expenditures for hypocrites mask. the destitute and disabled veterans of tion that fell."

FOSTER THE UNIVERSITY. Among the most important objects love is fed. of our care is the State University. It The flag of truce in the pretty wars is to be regretted that there is among courtship and marriage. ome of the best people of the State tempted purchasers, of this railroad are pled or its value impaired by permit a sentiment that does not sustain the man. members and owners of a corporation ting any corporation or person to par- existing law which gives an annual which belongs to another State. They allel it by the construction of any line, appropriation to this institution—a seek to own and conduct and operate or of one mile of railroad which would sum which should be increased but for this great highway without asking the connect existing lines so as to have a the fact that the condition of the consent of the State which built it and connection through the State, compet- State treasury may not justify it. If the operator uses the "sounding" sys which owns it. When the State under- itive to our own. If there be any there be anything in the State laws or tem. takes to complain of this transaction charter heretofore granted by our in the management of the University in its courts this foreign corporation State which permits this to be done, it which gives, with State money, free Not enough for one, just enough for tuition to persons who are pecunia- two, too much for three, rily able to pay and thus takes from the denominational colloges, students tion under the sun or on the moon who would voluntarily help to sustain either. them, then such laws and politics should be abandoned. But if this free tuition language is confined to those who cannot pay, where is the harm to the denominational colleges? The limited number appreciably to the expense of maintaining the University. It is about that much pure gain to meritorious young men without entailing taxation on anybody. Neither does this State aid subtract materially from the efficiency of the public schools. If given to them it would extend only one year. In this University we have a plant that represents about \$500,000. We cannot afford to throw away this property. The constitution forbids it. The of the eyes. memories, the traditions and the pride of our people revolt at the thought. The shadows and soil of Chapel Hill Romeo and Juliet. are sacred in thousands of North Car. olina homes. Whatever it may have

been under political and social conlitions that are rap. By and permunently passing a ray, it is now an institution that is popular in the highest sense of the w ld. It serves no class Its benefits and blessing are not confined to any sect, but are open to all. ligious and sectarian colleges than are a visible conjunction. public schools to the private academies. Complaints from denomina- visible impression. who should be made to feel that we man's heart. rejoice in their growing prosperity.

But the University is a part of the

State and must be preserved.

North Carolina has broken the Solid South; has come back to the Union in fact as well as in form. We are proud enlargement of the heart. o remove the complaint to the federal | You are invited to adopt any and | We are thankful for the decree of the to fathom the depths of a woman's courts. It is within your power, gen- all measures within your competency American people that from our Na weakness. tlemen of the Senate and House of looking towards the recovery of this tional capitol Ambassadors to apoli. An old-fashiontd telegraphic ar flag, shall go no more. With our Fed- by any other medium known. Recently the producers of the State eral Constitution amended so that Nature's Volapuk-the universal have derived some benefit from an ac- such territory as we may hereafter ac- language of love. officer or tribunal as you may desig. tual competition between two great officer or tribunal as you may designate, and that no such license shall be railroad systems running through our hood except by the general consensus granted power to the effect that the State. Judging the future by the past, of the States, why should we not ex-Railroads, while their earnings and examination has been made and that we must conclude that this competition tend our National domain wherever An article that is always accepted the control, operation and manage. so beneficial to us is only temporary on this hemisphere the invitation may and (im) printed, but not always pubment of such railroad by a foreign or and may end in the absorption of one be? Why seek to check our advance lished. non-resident corporation is not preju- line by the other. Our laws should to that world power which is our des The action of the lips by which dicial to the interests of the State. prohibit the control of any railroad by tiny? Westward the star of empire the real sentiments of the heart are And you have the power further to any road, route or syctem competitive has taken its way; from Persia to either affectionately expressed or falseprovide for the revocation of any such to it, and especially by any road that Greece, from Greece to Italy, from ly diguised. license by the granting power; and runs in the same direction or connects wards the conversion of them into you have the further power to say by with the same termini. Much good Its resting place is here between the public highways, owned and controlled shall be reveled as a reverse tracticable. It is resting place is nere between the parent of numbers that cannot be first be reversed and providing every practicable. shall be revoked as to any such non- pared and providing every practicable two great oceans-the gem of the I am lawful-unlawful-a duty, a fault, North Temperate Zone, the land that I am often sold dear-good for nothing by its fertility and climate is best in An extraordinary boon, and a matter of

> the merits by our court of last resort. concealed and hired representatives of back upon the errors and the glories turned. "We are living, we are dwelling, In a grand and awful time, In an age on ages telling To be living is sublime

speedy determination in your own ary. These men are frequently trained courts and prevent its removal to any politicians and lawyers. They repre-Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery sent one side that is antagonistic to cures Consumption (which is Scrofula of the Lungs) by its wonderful blood purify- steals, the foolish waste and the old ing, invigorating and nutritive properties For weak Lungs, Spitting of Blood, Shortbearers of burdens, the common peoness of Breath, Nasal Catarrh, Bronchitis, Severe Congns, Asthma, and kindred affections, it is a sovereign remedy. While parilla and you need not fear the grip, strengthens the system and purifies the colds, bronchitis, pneumonia or typhoid strengthens the system and purifies the

A lie has no conscience.

WHAT IS A KISS?

THAN THE FOLLOWING?

Some Amusing Attempts to Define the Nectar of Eden-Every One Knows What a Kiss is, to be Sure, but it is Not so Easy to Correctly Describe it-Perhaps Some of Our Readers May be Able to do so.

A recent contest for the best definition of a kiss, brought forth seven

An insipped and tasteless morsel, which becomes de licious and delectable in proportion as it is flavored with love.

The following is a selection from some of the best definitions submit-

What the chimney-sweeper imoperate a railroad within our borders ity, the religion and the glottes of the printed on the rosy lips of the scullerymaid when she told him she favored | tion, Headache, Dyspepsia, and all disorders

The sweetest fruit on the tree of love. The oftener plucked the more A thing of no use to one, but

for those who fought for its flig. As The baby's right, the lover's priviwe advance in material wealth we lege, the patient's benison, and the

That which you cannot give without the armies of the "storm cradled na- taking, and cannot take without giv

The food by which the flame of

The only known "smack" that will A telegram to the heart in which

Nothing divided between two.

The only agreeable two-faced ac-

The sweetest labail of the world's

The woman's most effective argument, whether to cajole the heart of a of these free students does not add father control the humors of a husband

or console the griefs of childhood. Something rather dangerous, Something rather nice, Something rather wicked, Though it can't be called vice. Others think it wrong, All agree it's jolly.

A kiss from a pretty girl is like hav day and a fraction of a day each ing a hot treacle poured down you back by angels.

The thunder-clap of the lips, which inevitably follows the lightning glance

A report at headquarters.

Everybody's acting edition o

What the child receives free, what the

young man steals and what the old The drop that runneth over when the cup is full.

That in which two heads are better A kiss is three parts of speech-a

It is no more competitive to the re- transitive verb, an invisible noun, and Printing without link, leaving no

tional colleges should be heard with Woman's passport to her husband's the deference due to their authors, purse, and man's passport to wo-

Love's artillery that is brought into action immediately on the "to

Contraction of the mouth due to of the great Republic and love its flag. The sounding line used by a woman

Representatives, to provide by law that property for the benefit of the people gize for our domestic policies to for rangement for transmitting from one eign monarchs, and emissaries to other person to another various sensitions lands, with orders to pull down our that cannot be transmitted correctly

Italy to Spain, from Spain to England. I am just two and two, I am warm, I am

when bought. believed that the lease claimed by this legislatures is the syste a of lobbying. The highest human qualities: for the by force

void and that it would be so held upon quently legislative lobbies swarm with With the expiring century looking seldom rejected, though often re-The safety valve to an exuberance

of tender feelings. The lover's privilege and the pug dog's right.

What the child gives, the lover

Hood's Pills are the favorte family ca-

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