

Teachers to Be Leaders.

If the educational interests of Catawba county are to be strengthened and advanced, the teachers themselves must awake to the responsibility of the position they occupy. They know the conditions and the needs of the schools as no one else can know them. Many a good cause has been hampered and its progress hindered because the leaders of that cause were not fully acquainted with the conditions and the peculiar circumstances connected with the work to be done. And in this work of building up the schools of the county, no one is so well qualified to take the lead as the teachers who know what is to be done, and the conditions under which it must be accomplished.

For various reasons the teachers have heretofore remained in the background. Some because of a natural timidity and diffidence. Some because they distrusted the correctness of their own opinions and judgments. And some because they feared their motives might be misunderstood, and that they would be accused of seeking their own personal ends. But the time has come when the best interests of the school work demand that the teachers of the county, as a body, shall take a bold stand for those things which concern them so vitally. Who is more concerned about thorough work in the school room than the teacher? Who realizes more than the teacher the importance of regular attendance? And who can see better than the teacher, the imperative need of longer school terms?

The members of the Board of Education and the county superintendent are doing all they can to further the cause of education in Catawba county. But they cannot know, as the teacher knows, all the needs and conditions of the school work. They would be greatly aided in their work if the teachers would say what things are needed, and would ask for these necessary things. No one need doubt for a moment but that they would gladly hear the teachers, and would grant any reasonable request.

More than one third of all the school subjects in Catawba county are enrolled in the schools. What shall be done to get them in the schools? Shall we have a compulsory school law for this county? Who is more interested in this matter than the teachers themselves? Many of the schools are already overcrowded with pupils. Who is so much concerned about providing additional teachers for these schools as the teachers? There should be longer terms. Who realizes this more than the teachers who are trying to accomplish something in the few weeks they have to work? The salaries paid teachers are entirely too small; but will these salaries be increased unless the teachers demand it?

The next meeting of the Teachers Association will be held in Newton on April 4th. Every teacher in the county ought to be present on that date and all ought to unite in an outspoken expression of opinion on these matters. Do the teachers realize the need of a larger school fund? Then let them say as much to the powers that be. Do they want longer terms and better salaries? Then let them ask for a larger levy for school purposes. Do they want a compulsory school law? Let them say so in no uncertain tones.

If the teachers of the county will unite in asking for those things which are their dues, they will, in all probability, get them. It is not likely that the reasonable demands of all the teachers will be refused. Then let the teachers of Catawba county, who know better than any one else the needs of the schools, all come together in the next meet-

ing of their Association and ask for those things which will benefit the school interests of the county. There is no reason why Catawba county should not take first place in educational matters if the teachers themselves will but take the lead and press forward. And it means so much to the schools that the men and women who know the needs and conditions come forward boldly and press the fight against ignorance and illiteracy. Surely they will not hang back when so much is at stake.

Schedule Changes In Goldsboro-Asheville Trains.

Raleigh Dispatch 18th.

Complete and very important changes in the Greensboro-Goldsboro and the Goldsboro-Asheville train service on the Southern railway have been agreed upon by the Southern and the Corporation Commission and are announced today by the commission.

Trains No. 108 and 135, Greensboro to Goldsboro, that pass through Raleigh respectively at 10:30 a. m. eastbound, and 2:30 p. m. westbound, will be discontinued.

Trains No. 11 and 12 Greensboro to Salisbury, will be discontinued. All other trains will have completely new schedules, except the night trains Greensboro to Goldsboro—11 and 12—which will not be changed. The day trains, Greensboro will be operated as follows:

Train leaves Greensboro 8:30 a. m. arrive at Raleigh 11:30, arrive at Greensboro at 8:30 p. m.

The Goldsboro-Asheville through service will be as follows:

Train leaves Goldsboro at 7 a. m., arrive at Raleigh 9 a. m. arrive at Greensboro 12:30 p. m. Salisbury 2:30 p. m., and Asheville at 8:15 p. m.

Train leave Asheville at 7 a. m., arrive Greensboro 3:30 p. m. arrive Raleigh 6:30 p. m. arrive Goldsboro 8:30 p. m.

Cow Drank Kerosene and Blew Up.

A Port Jervis dispatch to the Philadelphia Record says: A cow on the farm of William Johnson, near Berryville, blew up last night and was partly consumed by fire. Johnson had left two gallons of kerosene in the barnyard, and the pail containing it was mysteriously emptied.

While Johnson was trying to find what had become of it one of his sons told him there was a sick cow in the barnyard. Johnson found the cow bloated and nearly dead. He lighted a lantern near the cow's head, and the minute he did so, he claims, the match lighted the kerosene about the cow's muzzle and it began to burn.

A moment later there was a violent explosion. The cow was almost dismembered.

An Awkward Comment.

In the vicinity of Germantown there lived a worthy old Quaker lady and her son John, who were called upon to entertain a number of ladies at dinner during quarterly meeting. As John began to carve the broiled chicken he entered upon a flowery speech of welcome, but in the midst of his flattering utterances his mother, who was somewhat deaf, piped up from the other end of the table: "You needn't be praising of 'em up, John. I'm afraid they're a lot of tough old hens, every one of 'em."—Cleveland Leader.

THE LUCKY QUARTER

Is the one you pay out for a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They bring you the health that's more precious than jewels. Try them for headache, biliousness, constipation and malaria. If they disappoint you the price will be cheerfully refunded at C. M. Shuford, W. S. Martin and E. B. Menzies druggists.

The annual income of a successful bullfighter attains enormous proportions. It is not infrequent for one of these popular heroes to make something like \$50,000 a year. Frequently they are mere boys, and very few of them remain in the ring after thirty-five years of age.

A healthy man is a king in his own right; an unhealthy man is an unhappy slave. Burdock Blood Bitters builds up sound health—keeps you well.

With One Eye Bandaged.

"I had a great joke played on me while shooting billiards at a hotel in New York recently," said a Milwaukee man. "Having a little time on hand, I sauntered into the billiard room. I became engaged in conversation with a fellow in the room, and I proposed a game, while he readily accepted. At first things went along splendidly, and I had twenty to his ten. But soon he forged ahead and beat me out by a close score. Then a friend of mine, who was stopping at the same place, said he was willing to wager that my opponent could beat me with one eye bandaged. I accepted his deal and placed \$5 on the result. He didn't give me much of a chance, trimming me to the tune of 50 to 15. After the game was over I paid my bet, when the above mentioned friend loudly told me the eye that he had bandaged was a glass one."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Mourning For the Deceased.

Ian MacLaren told this story of grim humor in his lecture "Scottish Traits": A Scotch criminal condemned to death was visited by his counsel, who hoped to cheer him up just before the execution. After some words of cheer he said:

"Is there anything I can do for you?" "Thank you, there is one thing you can do for me before I am executed."

"What is that?" "I would ask you to go to my chest and fetch my Sabbath blacks."

"And what do you want with your Sabbath blacks?" "I wish to wear them as a mark of respect to the deceased."—Lyceumist and Talent.

Color of the Lungs.

Much has been written about the coloration of the lungs of workers in mines in the coal regions. Physicians declare that men live just as long with black lungs as with pink ones, the natural color. I am sure of it. This has been proved in the soot of Pittsburgh. In children the color of the lungs is rose pink, but as life advances they become more and more of a slaty hue, mottled, with streaks and patches of dark gray and black, which are due to deposit in the lymph spaces of dust inhaled on the breath. Eskimos and others who live in an atmosphere free from dust retain the color of childhood, while, on the other hand, the lungs of coal miners become often of a uniform jet black shade.—New York Press.

The Winds of the World.

Apart from the winds of regular habit there are the many local winds which occur in different parts of the world and are generally unkind in character. Of such may be mentioned the monsoon, simoom, sirocco, harmattan, the puna of Peru, the bitter north-easter of Britain, the mistral of Marcellus and that coast, the rampero of the Andes. With all these local breezes, though, in fact, they are oftentimes gales of some violence, many curious effects are coupled, and one of the most noticeable of these is that the blowing of the genuine nor'easter at home is always coincident with the greatest number of deaths from consumption and brain disease.—Singapore Free Press.

Warded Off the Blow.

A benevolent lady in a Michigan village undertook to fill a hungry tramp who came begging to her door. The saucy fellow found fault with the victuals, laughed at the patent leather pie and ended up by remarking that he never expected to fully recover from the damaging effects of that meal. When the husband came home at night and heard the story, he was mad clear through.

"You cowardly chump!" said the man to his son. "When you heard that critic talking that way to your mother, why didn't you come and tell me? I'd 'a' walloped him."

"I heard him, pa, but I was in the back yard and thought it was you. He went on just the same as you do when the grub doesn't suit. I didn't think anybody else could have the cheek to talk to mother that way."

The Dignity of the Subtreasury.

We are wont to imagine an imposing structure of stone when any one speaks of the subtreasury. But back in 1854 things were different. One of the official examiners of subtreasuries at that time was one Gorge, and he tells us in one of his reports that the subtreasury at Jeffersonville, Ind., in that year was in a tavern adjoining a barroom and connected with it by a floor with glass lights. The purpose of the glass was to make easy for the assistant treasurer when in the barroom to keep an eye on his office.

This office consisted of two rooms, and the public got in through a back passage under a stairway. The gold was kept in an iron safe and the silver in wooden boxes. The assistant treasurer, armed, slept in one of the rooms. That was in 1854!—Metropolitan Magazine.

Paid Her In Full.

In her younger days Hetty Green had for a neighbor a shrewd old Vermont farmer. One day, in the midst of the thrashing, this old farmer broke his winnowing fan and sent over to borrow Hetty's.

"Certainly," was the suave reply. "He is perfectly welcome to my fan, but I never let my tools be taken off the place. Tell him to bring his grain here and he may winnow as much as he likes on my barn floor."

Of course this was an awkward arrangement, but the farmer said nothing. Some weeks later Mrs. Green sent over in a hurry to borrow the old fellow's sidesaddle.

"Certainly, she is perfectly welcome to the use of my saddle. It's hanging over a rafter in the loft above the wagon shed. Tell her to come right over and ride it there as long as she likes."

No Piratical Innkeepers These.

One lives mighty well in Normandy and Brittany, even at the smallest inns. Of course the fish are as fine as can be found in the world and in great variety. In season you will get most excellent oysters, and you rarely find an inn so small that it does not have a dish of appetizing crevettes, or shrimp, among the hors d'oeuvre. The meats are invariably good; chicken is omnipresent. One rarely gets wine on the table in this part of France unless it is specifically ordered, as little wine is made in Normandy or Brittany. The drink of the country is the native cider, for which no charge is ever made at meals. To those accustomed to American cider the French cider is not particularly palatable, but it is a wholesome drink and after one becomes accustomed to it quite enjoyable. Prices are invariably low except in the larger places. One can tour Normandy, Brittany and Touraine and live delightfully at an expense of from ten to twelve francs (\$2 to \$2.40) a day, this including your bed and three meals, with all the cider you can drink thrown in.—Frank Presbrey in Outing Magazine.

Notice of City Election.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual election for Mayor, four Aldermen, and three school Trustees will be held in the Mayor's Office in the City of Hickory on Monday May 4th 1908.

Notice is hereby given that the Registration Books will be opened for registration on April 1st, until day of election and the registrar can be found at Clinard & Lyerly's office, over S. L. Whitener's store, every day except Saturday when he will be at the Mayors Office.

By order of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.
This March 21st. 1908.
W. L. Clinard.
Secretary & Registrar

Aluminium.

Aluminium is a white metal resembling silver, but only one-quarter as heavy. It is very malleable and in tenacity approaches iron. Exposed to dry or moist air, it is unalterable and does not oxidize or tarnish like most metals. Salt water affects it less than it does silver, tin or copper. Neither cold nor hot water has any action upon it. Sulphuretted hydrogen, the gas which so readily tarnishes the silver in households, does not act on aluminium, which is found to preserve its appearance under all ordinary circumstances as perfectly as gold does.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the registration books for the special school tax election to be held in District No. 13, Catawba county, N. C., on the 11th day of April, 1908, are now open for the registration of voters in said election. The registrar can be found at his home in said district every day, except on Saturday, when he will be at Killian Harness Company shop to register all who desire to register for said election.
This March 18th, 1908.
R. M. PITTS.
Registrar.

Dr. Angel Money.

There are some queer names in Australia. A witness in a recent case at Melbourne responded to the crier's call, "Lily Fury." In spite of her forbidding surname she seemed, according to the reporters, to be a very nice and amiable young lady. For many years the most fashionable physician in Sydney was a Dr. Angel Money. One of his patients, the late Sir Henry Parkes, six times prime minister, used to say it was the only name in the world that combined the celestial and the terrestrial.—London Chronicle.

Snuff taking originated in England from the capture of vast quantities of snuff by Sir George Rooke's expedition to Viego in 1784.

Don't neglect your cough.

Statistics show that in New York City alone over 200 people die every week from consumption.

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He advertised, "Send twelve stamps and learn how to find the day of the month without a calendar."

Twelve stamps were sent, and the instructions given were:

"Find out the date of the day before yesterday and add two."—London Straps.

BEST HEALER IN THE WORLD.

Rev. F. Starbird, of East Raymond, Maine, says: "I have used Bucklen's Arnica Salve for several years, on my old army wound, and other obstinate sores, and find it the best healer in the world. I use it too with great success in my veterinary business." Price 25c. at C. M. Shuford, W. S. Martin, E. B. Menzies Druggists.

Two girls returning from Sunday school were discussing their progress in the Shorter Catechism.

"I am past original sin," said the younger one.

The other immediately responded, "Oh, I am farther on than you, for I'm past redemption!"

A NARROW ESCAPE.

Many people have a narrow escape from pneumonia and consumption as a result of a cold that hangs on. Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs and colds no matter how deep seated and prevents pneumonia and consumption. Refuse substitutes.

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"Hav'n' it made in Paris, I suppose?"
—Houston Post.

"Suffered day and night the torment of itching piles. Nothing helped me until I used Doan's Ointment. It cured me permanently."—Hon. John R. Garrett, Mayor, Girard, Ala.

To The Public

There has been a report started in the city, that I am to move my business to Morganton. I just wish to say that whoever it was that started such a report has been misled or is trying to do something to injure my business. Such a thing has never entered my mind, to make this change. My business here is very satisfactory and I expect to remain just where I am and do business at the same old stand.
Very truly
J. H. Willis.

Taxes.

Last round for taxes, I will be in Hickory for the purpose of collecting taxes for 1907 on Mar. 16 and 17 also on Mar. 30 and 31st.

This is my last round and all those that owe for the year 1907 and fail to see me on the above dates will have to come to my office at Newton.
Truly
D. M. BOYD
Sheriff.

More Technical Delay.
The prisoner was about to face trial for the seventh time.

"Your honor," said the attorney, "it is an accepted fact that the human body changes completely in seven years or less."

"I fall to discern the application."
"Why, even if an entity resembling my client killed anybody at the time of the alleged murder the prisoner could not have been present in person. He didn't exist. That's a scientific fact."

The court intimated the necessity for time to think this over.—Exchange.

S.S.S. FOR BAD BLOOD

The most important part of the human system is the blood. Every muscle, nerve, tissue, bone and sinew is dependent on this vital fluid for nourishment and strength necessary to maintain them in health and enable each to perform the different duties nature requires. Even the heart, the very "engine" of life, receives its vigor and motive power from the blood. Since so much is dependent on this vital fluid it can very readily be seen how necessary it is to have it pure and uncontaminated if we would enjoy the blessing of good health. Bad blood is responsible for most of the ailments of mankind; when from any cause it becomes infected with impurities, humors or poisons, disease in some form is sure to follow. Muddy, sallow complexion, eruptions, pimples, etc., show that the blood is infected with unhealthy humors which have changed it from a pure, fresh stream to a sour, acid fluid, which forces out its impurities through the pores and glands of the skin. A very common evidence of bad blood is sores or ulcers, which break out on the flesh, often from a very insignificant bruise or even scratch or abrasion. If the blood was pure and healthy the place would heal at once, but being loaded with impurities, which are discharged into the wound, irritation and inflammation are set up and the sore continues. Bad blood is also responsible for Anaemia, Boils, Malaria, etc.; the weak, polluted circulation cannot furnish the nourishment and strength required to sustain the body, and a general run-down condition of health results. S. S. S. is nature's blood purifier and tonic; made entirely of healing, cleansing roots and herbs.

It goes down into the circulation and removes every particle of impurity, humor or poison that may be there, restores lost vitality, and steadily tones up the entire system. It adds to the blood the healthful properties it is in need of, and in every way assists in the cure of disease. S. S. S. neutralizes any excess of acid in the blood, making it fresh and pure, and permanently cures Eczema, Acne, Tetter, and all other skin diseases and eruptions. S. S. S. cures Rheumatism, Catarrh, Sores and Ulcers, Malaria, and all other diseases or disorders arising from bad blood. Book on the blood and any medical advice desired free to all who write.

Your S. S. S., in my opinion, is as good a medicine as can be had; it simply cannot be improved upon as a remedy to purify and enrich the blood and to invigorate and tone up the system. This spring my blood was bad and I was run down in health, and having seen your medicine highly advertised I commenced its use. Today my blood is in fine condition and my general health is of the best. Am filling position as fireman for a large concern here, and if I was not in good physical condition it would be impossible for me to fill the place. Your S. S. S. has been of great service to me and I do not hesitate to give it the credit it deserves.
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A. N. ADERHOLT.

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