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that will give you the joys of Spring and Summer time from now on will be thoroughly enjoyed by your family. If you have been paying rent now is the time to secure a house of your own, we have some beauties to offer at attractive prices.

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comprising everything that is deliciously good to eat in bread, cakes, pies and pastry, are offered in a luscious display at Rice's Bakery. We also bake special cakes to order at short notice. Our bread is especially recommended for its healthful and nutritious qualities. Better eat good, reliable food instead of trying to gain health by taking questionable spring medicines.

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You want of the food you need
Kodol will digest it.

You need a sufficient amount of good wholesome food and more than this you need to fully digest it. Else you can't gain strength, nor can you strengthen your stomach if it is weak.

You must eat in order to live and maintain strength. You must not diet, because the body requires that you eat a sufficient amount of food regularly.

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The proper way to do is to eat what you want, and let Kodol digest the food.

Nothing else can do this. When the stomach is weak it needs help; you must help it by giving it rest, and Kodol will do that.

Our Guarantee

Go to your druggist today, and purchase a dollar bottle, and if you can honestly say, that you did not receive any benefits from it, after using the entire bottle, the druggist will refund your money to you without question or delay.

We will pay the druggist the price of the bottle purchased by you.

This offer applies to the large bottle only and to but one in a family.

We could not afford to make such an offer, unless we positively knew what Kodol will do for you. It would bankrupt us. The dollar bottle contains 2 1/2 times as much as the fifty cent bottle.

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Weak Kidneys, Backache, Rheumatism or Lumbago it is absolutely essential, in order to obtain satisfactory results, that you take a reliable preparation that acts directly on the Kidneys. Many persons trust to luck for a cure. No remedy will be found more satisfactory than

Pineules

Delays are dangerous. There is no more common complaint than Kidney complaint. Nature always gives due warning and failure to heed same may result in Diabetes, Lumbago, Bright's Disease, or some other serious affection of the Kidneys. Pineules are readily and naturally absorbed and assimilated by the stomach, driving out the poison due to disordered conditions of the Kidneys or Bladder. They purify the blood and invigorate the entire system. The first dose will convince you that Pineules will do all we claim for them. Get a bottle TO-DAY.

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THE CONTEST IS A FARCE.

Even Republicans Have No Sympathy With J. A. Smith.

Congressman E. Y. Webb's Seat is Firm and Secure.

Washington, March 20.—The contest of J. A. Smith, Republican, against E. Y. Webb, Democrat, in the ninth North Carolina district, is not taken seriously here. There is no danger in the world of Smith's winning and very little prospect of his getting the money allowed in contest cases for expenses.

In the first place it is contended that Smith's notice was served more than 30 days after the result of the Congressional election was determined by the board of State canvassers. The certificate of said board shows that the result was determined on the 27th of November, and the notice not served until the 29th of Dec.

In the next place the law requires a contestant to specify particularly his grounds of contest. Smith does not do this. He does not even claim in his notice that Webb was not elected to Congress nor does he claim that he himself was elected. He claims that there were in the district something like 4,000 votes cast by persons who had not paid their poll tax, but in his evidence he has absolutely failed to show that a single illegal vote was cast by anyone for either himself or for Webb. He has abandoned the taking of testimony in all the counties in the district mentioned in his notice, except Mecklenburg and Gaston. The little testimony he took in Gaston is too trifling to mention, and besides it was taken before a private citizen not authorized to take depositions under the laws of the United States.

The law gives a contestant 40 days after answer is served upon him in which to take testimony. The testimony which Smith took in Charlotte on the 8th of March was 41 days after answer was served upon him. The law also requires that the notice of taking evidence shall be served on Webb personally, but this has never been done by Smith.

The following is a gist of the testimony upon which he relies to unseat Mr. Webb: Dr. Warren Vines Hall, of Charlotte: "I was one of the Republican campaign managers last election, I heard Ed Bell, acting Republican chairman, say he thought the lists of those who had paid their poll tax in the various collection districts were needless, as there would be no challenge. We expressed surprise. I understood that he had an agreement with the Democratic chairman that there would be no challenges. I expressed a good deal of pleasure at this as in my precinct I would lose 34 and the Democrats only 17 if the challenges were made. I went to my polling place, however on challenge day with my challenge list and staid until challenges time expired, and no challenges were made there on either side, Smith contestant, did not like this agreement.

The list that the Republican chairman had was only for Charlotte township district. I am postmaster at North Charlotte, and was at the last election and was a supporter of Smith. There has been little or no challenging in Mecklenburg county since the adoption of the constitutional amendment. The result of the election in this county increased the Republican vote 125, Smith and all."

Dr. Adam Fisher: "I was Republican candidate for the Legis-

lature in Mecklenburg county in last election. Mr Ed Bell told me before the election that it was not necessary to prepare any challenge list; that there would be no challenging, if we did not make any; so I dropped it right there. I made no objection to this agreement. Mr. Bell said it would be as fair for one as the other. I believe my party made gains in the last election in this county."

Mr. Edward M. Bell: "I was acting Republican chairman in Mecklenburg county last election I asked Sheriff Wallace for a list of the paid polls and he gave me a list. Will not swear I asked him for a list of the county. It was my purpose to secure a list of the county and I think he gave it to me in the same way. I specified the official list, but will not say I specified the county. I thought it was the entire county I got the list to check it and see if anyone had applied to vote who had not paid his poll tax. I don't know whether the list was signed or not. I did not scrutinize it closely. I saw the list Mr. Moody had up here but cannot say it was the list I had. It was in typewritten form. I don't know whether any challenges were made by Republicans in this county or not. Each man that left the Republican headquarters came back and reported that there were no challenges made. I got the list for the purpose of making a challenge list, and it was made.

I was sincerely and honestly endeavoring to get the best results for my party and each of its candidates in that election, and the vote for our party was increased over that of two and four years ago, including the congressional vote. I was congratulated by members of my party on the result of the election in this county. We challenged on both sides in my precinct. I had absolutely no agreement, expressed or implied that there would be no challenges, and that persons not entitled to vote would be permitted to vote in that election.

I know that McAuley was tax collector for district No. 1 and that Peoples was tax collector for district No. 3. I never asked of either of these for the list of paid polls for their districts I thought the list I got from Sheriff Wallace was the complete list. I had in mind that it was the duty of the Sheriff to make up this list. Sheriff Wallace, as a matter of fact did not make any representations to me at the time I asked him for the list that it was the list for any district or part of the county except his own. I asked him to give me the official list, and he did not make any explanation to me. I have no reason to believe that the list he gave me was not a correct list of the paid polls for his district embracing Charlotte township."

The contest will fail it is predicted here, as it is without foundation. It can be stated as a fact that the Republican leaders of the district and State are not in sympathy with it. Smith seems to be paddling his own leaky canoe. His contest is about like his campaign was—a grand and glorious farce.

H. E. C. Bryant.

During the spring every one would be benefited by taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. It furnishes a needed tonic to the kidneys after the extra strain of winter and it purifies the blood by stimulating the kidneys and causing them to eliminate the impurities from it. Foley's Kidney Remedy imparts new life and vigor. Pleasant to take. Martin Drug Co.

Hard on Newspapers.

The Salisbury Post says: The Reformed Church Standard remarks upon the fact that when Hickory was recently granted free delivery of mails it, as a semi-monthly publication, came in contact with a Postoffice Department ruling which requires a one-cent stamp on every copy delivered through the home postoffice. Pound rates, enjoyed by the two Hickory weeklies, are not for it. "The most arbitrary thing in this county is the Postoffice Department," thinks our justly aggrieved contemporary. But he who undertakes to enumerate the governments' queer rulings—queer usually in consequence of faulty legislation by Congress—will be busy for a week.

The Post falls under this ban. Any number of daily papers from other cities may come to Salisbury and be delivered by the city carriers, while the home paper is refused the privilege. Weekly papers, in towns where published are delivered but no others. The semi-weekly Post can not be delivered. Truly the government is peculiar and hard to understand.

Murky Philosophy.

The editor of The Hickory Democrat is something of a Marcus Aurelius, and sometimes interjects bits of philosophy in his local columns like these: "Men who spend all they make often don't make what they spend," which probably is a veiled allusion to underpaid subscriptions. But this: "He who pursues two rabbits will succeed in catching neither," may refer the folly of a man with D. T.'s or to Roosevelt's African trip. Why should not the man who pursues two rabbits catch them both, pray?—Asheville Citizen.

[Because "One thing at a time and that done well is a very good rule as Minnie, can tell."]

Wolves Kill Little Girl.

Ottawa, Ont., March 18.—A Saswatoo dispatch says: "A weird tale is brought to Saswatoo from Moose Lake northwest of the Pass. A trapper had secured a number of young wolves which he trained for driving, the animals having remarkable endurance and speed. After finishing up a hard day, in which the animals had no food, the driver and team approached the shanty that was their home. His little three-year-old child ran out to meet them.

"As the famished animals reached her they jumped on her and she was dead before her father could raise a hand. Seizing a sharp axe the trapper went at the wild creatures and never stopped until he had killed the entire lot."

School Tax Election.

The School Board has asked the Board of Alderman to call an election the last of May to submit to the qualified voters of Hickory the question of increasing the tax levy for schools to thirty cents on the dollar property valuation. A special election is desired because so many other matters are to be voted on at the regular municipal election. There is great need for more room and more teachers for the graded school, and the board has taken this action in order that the people may have an opportunity to provide for these needs.

W. F. Burns, Chm. School Board. March 23, 1909.

Foley's Honey and Tar is a safeguard against serious results from spring cold which inflame the lungs and develop into pneumonia. Avoid counterfeits by insisting upon having the genuine Foley's Honey and Tar which contains no harmful drugs. W. S. Martin & Co.

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SAFETY.

Comes to every one. During prosperity you should prepare for adversity, then when sickness or scarcity of work comes along you will have something to fall back upon.

Where is the money you have earned these many years? You spent it and the other fellow put it in the bank. Be independent; place your money with

Independence.

The Hickory Banking & Trust Co.

Col. M. E. Thornton.

We would be glad if Hickory contained more such men as the subject of this sketch, Col. M. E. Thornton. Mr. Thornton has done as much or perhaps more for the advancement of our town than any other man in our city. His has been a life truly devoted to the best interest of his town. He has endeavored faithfully to give our citizens the benefit of an electric plant the equal of any to be found; and had he received the encouragement his labors deserved, we would today boast of an ideal electric system.



And his labors have not been confined alone to the development of an electric light plant, but he is earnestly striving for the development of hydro-electric power sufficient to run any machinery that is now or may hereafter be established in our city.

Only recently, he made a trip to New York for the purpose of interesting capital in the development of our hydro-electric power.

His is a work that should receive the hearty support of every citizen in Hickory.

We believe that he has failed to receive the encouragement that he justly felt was his due. Many times, no doubt, he has re-

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Good schools, good churches and good roads are grand things to have in any community. In order to have these things the people must take pride in all these. At the municipal election in May, we will have the opportunity to say whether or not we want better schools and better streets. Which side are you on?

One of the most vital problems confronting the people of Hickory at this time is a more adequate graded school building; more and better paid teachers.

Neither a boil nor a cabbage amounts to anything unless it comes to a head.

We are informed that Hickory is to have a Recorder, said Recorder to have absolutely no choice in the matter. This should not be. The fundamental principle of Democracy is local self government, and no officer should hold his position unless chosen to such position by the people. A government "of the people, for the people, and by the people" is the only kind that should be tolerated in America.



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