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CORRESPONDENCE
We wish correspondents in all the nearby post offices. Write at once.

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AN OUTRAGE.

The Union News Company who seem to own the exclusive right to sell things on the trains including fruits, and confection, newspapers, magazines etc, have evidently come into a rich thing since the railroads have ordered that all drinking glasses and cups be removed from the water coolers. They have for sale on the train collapsible aluminum cups for 25cts that can be purchased in most stores that sell them for 10cts. We consulted the news boy about these cups, and learned he was getting a commission of four cents a piece each for the sale of these cups, while the News Company is realizing more than one hundred per cent on them above what the store charges after paying a meagre commission for their sale.

Did the Union News Company engineer the thing to take the glasses and cups from the coolers through some sanitary fanatic in order to fleece the public?

The News Union is a trust, and a grinding monopoly, and like a lot of financial harpies who prey upon the women, and thirsty starving children, who ride upon the trains, and are compelled to buy their stuff.

It was an outrage upon the traveling public to withdraw all the glasses and cups from the coolers on the train, without providing some way to accommodate this public necessity, without extorting upon people. While no intelligent person argues other than that the old system was unsanitary, and that there was objectionable features to it, but the American people had lived, prospered, and died for three quarters of a century without any serious charge against the glass on the train to quench a child's thirst, and no serious harm had been attributed to the glass but that which grew largely out of sentiment.

In the name of suffering childhood, and womanhood we ask the present general assembly that this imposition be corrected.

CAN NOT COMMIT MURDER.

It is hoped that Senator Victor Bryant's bills before the present State Legislature respecting the selection of a jury may become a law, also the one for securing jurors from other counties, instead of removing a case to other counties. Mr. Bryant in defense of his bill says that the defendants may practically select a jury to suit themselves, when acquittals are made absolute under the present system. Now if Mr. Bryant shall incorporate and educational qualification in order to fit a man for jury duty, he will have gone a long way towards securing some useful electorations.

A recent murder case in Greensboro shows how the law may be spit upon, and justice insulted. It's an outrage, we might say that the man who is able to pay for learned council cannot commit murder, his money renders him immune from punishment. There are lawyers in North Carolina that never would have been known beyond their immediate section, but for the States infamous jury system that enables them to set free rich clients who were able to pay large fees, and to day those lawyers are burdened with blood money,

Ex Judge W. P. Bynum of Greensboro is a clever man, and a most skillful counsel. His ingenuity in putting Royal Cabell in the odious lime light of the State with a phosphorous halo encircling his head, while he makes a martyr of the emaciated Williams, and crowns him with the laurels of a conquering hero, a veritable Atlas supporting with ease and grace a thousand barrels of the Old Nick whiskey, is one of the marvels of this magician of the law.

The Legislature of North Carolina ought to try to disconnect the State with the very inconsistent practice of encouraging crime, and then making a pretense of punishing it, and this is what it does when it license pawn shops, and others to sell pistols to irresponsible white men, and vicious negroes to commit crimes for honest hard working men to pay the cost for.

The South Eastern tariff Association is collecting heavy tolls from the people of North Carolina to pay for what the fire bugs burn in Chicago and New York. A man in a small town paying five per cent for fire protection, its doing him some. The Legislature ought to break up the work of the South Eastern Association in North Carolina.

Judge Boyds connection with the Old Nick Williams whiskey company has not acted as a bleaching powder for his Judicial ermine. In trying to maintain for others that high standard of social excellence there is sometimes a possibility of getting soiled.

After Awhile.

(Maud Reber Layton in the Corner-stone.)

After awhile, when Life's noon-tide we reach,
And all our follies troop before our eyes
Like furies, to condemn our acts and speech,
Why is it that we can not then be wise?

Why, with the lamps before our feet to guide
Us into paths of everlasting light,
Do we still grope and push them all aside,
Preferring self-indulgence to the Right.

Why is it, from the cradle to the grave,
Along life's journey, every single mile,
A man's best efforts he will always save
To deck the jeweled crown "After Awhile?"

After awhile the pleasures that we sought
Will cease to please, and everyone will know
How dearly all life's vanities are bought
And what small seeds will make a folly grow.

After awhile the soul that scorned to taste
The poisoned chalice of deceit and sin,
Will swing the door with bold and eager haste,
And, open-armed, will take the stranger in.

After awhile the golden rays of light
Will change to light'ning shadows
chill and dark;
After awhile the path that's straight and right
Will, sinuous, lose the last remaining spark.

After awhile the flowers that bloom will fade,
The young grow old, the old will pass away;
After awhile all beauty ever made
Will show the crumbling course of sad decay.

But far beyond the destinies of fate
We see a glimmer nothing can beguile;
Hope's light is shining through the golden gate
And angels beckon onward "After Awhile."

Chronic Constipation Cured.

"Five years ago I had the worst case of chronic constipation I ever knew of, and Chamberlain's Tablets cured me," writes S. F. Fish, Brooklyn, Mich. For sale by All Dealers.

Glaciers Caused by Milky Way.
Another suggested cause of glacial periods is that they have been due to the shifting of the milky way, such as is known to have occurred.

Assuming that much of the earth's heat comes from the stars, Dr. Rudolf Spitaler finds that the change of position in relation to the milky way might have given a different distribution of temperature from that existing at the present time. The stars are not only crowded in the region of the milky way but many of them are of the hottest type.

The Things I Miss.

(By Thomas Wentworth Higginson.)
An easy thing, O Power Divine,
To thank Thee for these gifts of Thine!
For summer's sunshine, winter's snow,
For hearts that kindle, thoughts that glow.
But when shall I attain to this—
To thank Thee for the things I miss.
For all young Fancy's early gleams;
For the dreamed-of joys that still are dreams,
Hopes unfulfilled, and pleasures known
Through others' fortunes, not my own,
And blessings seen that are not given,
And never will be this side of Heaven.

Had I, too, shared the joys I see,
Would there have been a Heaven for me?
Could I have felt Thy presence near,
Had I possessed what I held dear?
My deepest fortune, highest bliss,
Have grown perchance from things I miss.

Sometimes there comes an hour of calm
Grief turns to blessing, pain to balm;
A power that works above my will
Still leads me onward, upward still;
And then my heart attains to this—
To thank Thee for the things I miss.

The World Wants.

"The world wants men—true men.
Who can not be bought, or sold;
Men who scorn to violate trust;
Men of genuine gold."

Made a Good Guess.

A gentleman was watching a military funeral passing down the street. It was a very pretentious affair, and he walked to the edge of the curb to get a better view of the spectacle. Just then the flag-draped cannon passed, bearing the flower-laden coffin. His curiosity was all the more aroused, so he stepped up to a newboy, who was watching the procession, and asked: "Who's dead, sonny?"
The newboy looked at his questioner and then at the passing troops and finally said: "I don't know, boss; but I guess it must be the feller under all dem towers!"

Road Tax For 1913 Due.

Notice—The special road poll tax for the year 1913 is now due, and payable until the first day of April.

Under the old law the treasurer was paid a small commission for collecting and handling this fund. And heretofore I have given that commission to those who looked after it in the different Townships. But now under the Salary law there is no provision made for any one to be paid anything out of this fund. Therefore, unless some one will volunteer to collect without charge, in the townships, I cannot put the books out as has been my custom. According by instruction from the County Commissioners, the books will be at my office in the court house in Graham, and all persons desiring to pay will pay to me unless they find some one else with the books.

Albert J. Thompson, Treasurer,
This Jan. 7, 1913 Alamance County.

Loosing a King.

One of our naval officers tells of an incident that occurred when an American war vessel was lying at anchor in a European port, on which occasion it was visited by a monarch and his suite.

One of the members of this suite, resplendent in gold lace and decorations, with a big sword at his side and sporting a huge moustache, was exploring the ship, and, being ignorant of things nautical, had leaned against the main-hatch windmill, mistaking it for a mast. Of what ensued the officer of the deck was informed by the boat-swat's mate, who had seen the catastrophe and who broke the news of it thus:
"You will excuse me, sir, but I think one of them kings has fell down the main hatch, sir."—Harper's Magazine.

Best Cough Medicine for Children.

"I am glad to say a few words in praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes Mrs. Lida Dewey, Milwaukee, Wis. "I have used it for years both for my children and myself and it never fails to relieve and cure a cough or cold. No family with children should be without it as it gives almost immediate relief in cases of croup." Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is pleasant and safe to take, which is of great importance when a medicine must be given to young children. For sale by All Dealers.

Give me, kind heaven, a private station;
A mind serene for contemplation;
Title and profit I shall resign;
The post of honor shall be mine.
Gay's Fables.

His Stomach Troubles Over.

Mr. Dyspeptic, would you not like to feel that your stomach troubles were over, that you could eat any kind of food you desired without injury? That may seem so unlikely to you that you do not even hope for an ending of your trouble, but permit us to assure you that it is not altogether impossible. If others can be cured permanently, and thousands have been, why not you? John R. Barker, of Battle Creek, Mich., is one of them. He says, "I was troubled with heartburn, indigestion, and liver complaint until I used Chamberlain's Tablets, then my trouble was over." Sold by All Dealers.

ADVICE TO EMBRYO POETS

First Efforts Should Not Be Directed to Subjects That Would Test Genius.

Far, far is it from our wish or intention to hurt anybody's feelings, but we do wish to state, very gently, that one of the most difficult tasks a real poet, experienced and skilled in the practice of his art, could undertake, would be to write an adequate and fitting poem on the loss of the Titanic. For anyone else to attempt it is to invite inevitable failure, and failure of a kind that—well, of a kind that it would be unkind, in the circumstances, to characterize.

To be deeply and sincerely moved is one of the requisites for writing noble verse about a tragic episode in human history, but it is far from being the only requisite, and, with all respect for their emotions and intentions, we would suggest that those who have only a desire to express what they feel in regard to this calamitous event should do it otherwise than in verse. At least they should not try to get the verse printed, for by so doing they place upon the winners of metrical offerings the always painful duty to be cruelly kind.

Surely, surely, surely, a first effort to write poetry should not be on a subject that would test all the powers of a long-tested genius.

Candor is the seal of a noble mind, the ornament and pride of man, the sweetest charm of woman, the scorn of rascals, and the rarest virtue of sociability.—Bentzel-Sternau.

Cheerfulness is a thing to be more profoundly grateful for than all that genius or talent ever accomplished.—Helen Hunt Jackson.

It is best to love wisely, no doubt; but to love foolishly is better than not to be able to love at all.—Thackeray.

Brief Wills.
Probably the briefest document ever dated as a will was a signed and dated memorandum, "Everything is Lou's," written by a decedent in a railway train record book kept by him; his widow's name being Lula. The instrument was held to be sufficient as a holographic will, however, in Smith v. Smith, 70 Southeastern Reporter, 491, by the Virginia supreme court of appeals. A note reading: "Dear Old Nance: I wish to give you my watch, two shawls, and also \$5,000. Your old friend, E. A. Gordon"—was sustained as a will in Clark v. Ransom, 50 California, 505; and a dated and signed memorandum, "Mrs. Sophie Loeper is my heiress," was upheld in Succession of Shrenberg, 21 Louisiana Annual, 280.—The Docket.

Not in the Contract.
"Have you anything to say for your self?"
"Not unless I can get a rebate from my lawyer, judge; I have paid him good money to talk for me, and I won't do his work for nothing."

QUEER FISHES OF THE SEA

Those That Live Down in the Deep Are Grotesque and Chimerical.

Cuba ends to the south in a huge hammer of mountains 8,000 feet high and steeping sheer into the sea. The wall does not end there, but continues its precipitous descent into the 700-mile-long abyss called Bartlett's deep. This gigantic submarine valley is nearly four miles deep and 80 miles wide.

At a mile and a half, the pressure of the water is nearly two tons to the square inch; the ooze that comes up from such a depth, though the equator runs overhead, is cold as hoar frost; it is ten times certain that no vegetation can grow there.

As in our world none but the vegetable are able to make food, it ought to follow that in the depths of the sea there should be no animal life. As a matter of fact, these glooms are inhabited by the most grotesque and chimerical of all fishes. It would seem as though in the darkness life had taken every imaginable license to be ugly and bizarre. Cannibalism is evidently the only method of life, and its equipment runs to every kind of extravagance.

There are fish with teeth so long that they cannot close their mouths, fish that draw their stomach over prey larger than themselves, fish with no more mouth than a leech, and getting their living as leeches, fish with huge, myopic eyes, and fish frankly blind. Probably none of them comes from depths quite beyond the region of light, though a great many of them go poking about their ghoulish business furnished with lanterns of the glow-worm type.

A Hero In A Lighthouse.

For years J. S. Ionahue, So. Haven, Mich., a civil war captain, as a lighthouse keeper, averted awful wrecks, but a queer fact is, he might have been a wreck, himself, if Electric Bitters had not prevented. "They cured me of kidney trouble and chills," he writes, "after I had taken other so-called cures for years, without benefit and they also improved my sight. Now at seventy, I am feeling fine." For dyspepsia, indigestion, all stomach, liver and kidney troubles, they're without equal. Try them. Only 50 cts, at Mebane Drug Co.

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