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The Henderson Gold Leaf has entered its 20th volume, and is better and more prosperous than ever. We congratulate Thad Manning and wish him many more years of usefulness and prosperity in the newspaper business.

A business man suggests to the Raleigh News-Observer the advisability of issuing \$250,000 a year of State bonds at 3 1/2 or 4 per cent. for eight years, in order to afford funds for longer and better schools to educate the children between now and 1908, so they will be able to qualify and vote.

On Friday the house amended the war tax reduction bill by reimposing the tax on express receipts and requiring the express companies to pay it. On Saturday the house passed the bill after striking out the above amendment. The Republicans defeated a motion to include a provision for an income tax that would stand before the supreme court. The Republican party is always helping the rich and hurting the poor.

The Lenoir Topic recalls a matter which has been suggested before, and which merits the attention of the next general assembly. The Topic says "some way ought to be provided for supplying the place of a judge who is providentially hindered from being present at court."

Providence is not always responsible for the failure of a judge to reach and hold court, nor for his leaving frequently before his work is finished, but there are occasions when, from one or another good cause, the presiding judge is unable to reach a county and hold court. In such emergencies we agree with our contemporary that there should be some provision for supplying the appointment. In some states members of the bar present are permitted to choose a temporary judge, and thus public business is carried on. It is claimed, too, by this means a decided improvement in the presiding officer is frequently secured.

It is a subject the legislature can contemplate with propriety—Raleigh Post.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Mebane in his report to the legislature advocates taxing the gross earnings of railroads 5 per cent., which would pay the schools \$700,000 a year. He points out that other states tax the gross incomes of railroads. He says:

"The gross earnings of the railroads in this State are more than \$11,000,000. Suppose we had a law like Minnesota, taxing the roads 3 per cent. on gross earnings? What a handsome sum of more than \$300,000 to give instruction and intelligence to the great army of poor boys and girls now groping in darkness, and who must, under present conditions of our educational facilities, grow into manhood and womanhood burdened with all the disadvantages of the ignorant. . . . In addition to this, let us have the same tax on the gross earnings of telephone companies, telegraph companies, express companies, insurance companies, and then we will have a school fund from these sources of about \$400,000. Think of having \$400,000 added to the school fund by the general assembly of 1901." He concludes this part of the report as follows: "The railroads in North Carolina now net \$5,000,000 annually over and above 4 per cent. on the real value of their property. These roads could stand a tax of 5 per cent. on their gross earnings, which would give us \$700,000 annually, and then leave them \$4,300,000, to carry out of the State. Let us have five per cent. on gross earnings, and give it all to the school fund."

**Brushing a Derby Hat.**  
Some men will buy two or three black derby hats a season, and these will always look rusty and old. Other men will buy not more than one a year, and that will never lose its deep and brilliant gloss.

"I'll tell you why it is," said one of the best dressers in town the other day. "It is because one man brushes his hat with a stiff bristled whisk, and the other rubs his softly with a piece of woollen cloth. The felt of a hat is such a delicate stuff that a stiff whisk applied to it has pretty much the effect that a currycomb or a rake would have on a suit of clothes. It wears the nap off, exposing the bare gray foundation in short order."

"A piece of woollen cloth, rubbed over a hat with a circular motion that conforms to the grain, doesn't rub off the nap at all, but keeps it lustrous and firm and of good color. I buy one \$2.50 hat a year and rub it each morning with a bit of flannel. I guarantee that it outlasts three \$5 hats that are raked and scraped with whisks every day."—Philadelphia Record.

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**Harder to Say No Than Yes.**  
He was a most worthy young man, with a fondness for discussing sociological and moral questions, and once started on his hobby he could scarcely be headed in any other direction. He had been quite devoted in his attention to one young woman for as much as six months, but she had been unable to bring him to his senses, though she was willing to confess that she had tried repeatedly to do so. Of course she had done it in the delicate ways women have in those matters, but what he needed was a club.

Not a great while ago he was calling as usual, and as usual he was neglecting sentiment for something that only made a girl tired. This time he was moralizing on the temptations of life and the proneness of people to yield without making the proper effort against them in whatever form they might appear.

"However," he said in conclusion, displaying a commendable spirit of charity for the weak, "it is a very difficult thing for any one to say 'No.'"

Here was an unexpected chance for her. "And conversely," she responded slowly so he could get the full force of it, "it should be very easy for one to say 'Yes.'"

He looked her straight in the eyes at last, and a hush fell upon the scene.

"Um-er-um," he hesitated. "Miss Kate, am I a chump?"

"It is very difficult for one to say 'No,'" she said with a pretty, little smile, and later she found it quite easy to say "Yes."—Washington Star.

**His Genial Reception.**

General Starr, a gallant old soldier, had an irrepressible dislike for young lieutenants fresh from West Point. In 1874 General Starr was in command at Fort Riley, and one day an orderly came to his quarters with the message that Lieutenant Morrison, just from West Point, was at the post ready to pay his respects and report for duty. In response to this message the old general was starting for his office, when his wife, a motherly old soul, plucked him by the sleeve and said, "Now, general, promise me that you won't be rough with that young man."

"Rough?" said the old man, smiling amiably upon his matrimonial companion. "Why, I'll be peaches and cream unless the young dog riles me." Reaching his office, the general was confronted with a dapper little fellow as spick and span as though he had just come from the hands of his barber and tailor, while he had the half supercilious air that seems inseparable from the first stages of military education.

Looking the young lieutenant over for half a moment, the old general said with great dignity: "How do you do, Mr. Morrison. I am pleased to see you." Then as a flush gradually mounted over his weather beaten features he added: "I am always glad to see you young men from the Military academy. You—you—(here the general ended with a roar) you think yourself so hanged smart!"—Kansas City Journal.

**Knew What She Was About.**  
Mother—Miss Catchem has a lovely voice, and you know it. Why did you ask her to sing for Mr. Richfello?  
Daughter (after Mr. Richfello)—See that mirror in front of the piano?  
"Yes."  
"Well, Mr. Richfello sits right in range where he can see her face. She looks like a whitewashed chimpanzee when she sings."—Pearson's Weekly.

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