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LET US BE UP AND DOING.

It is to be hoped that every citizen of Kinston read "Observer's" communication in yesterday's FREE PRESS.

No one can deny that the points made by "Observer" are well taken. It is imperative that Kinston awake and realize the importance of the crisis through which she is passing.

While it is always desirable that the citizens give heed to the personnel of their town government, it is of special importance that they see that the men chosen for these positions at the coming election be noted for HONESTY OF PURPOSE, PUBLIC SPIRITEDNESS and CAPACITY for conducting big BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS.

This is made necessary because, in addition to the ordinary functions devolving upon the town officials, we expect to impose upon them an additional obligation in the expenditure of a sum for the development of our thriving city.

The question of the bond issue is but the question of the preservation of our health and prosperity as a community. If we would make of our community a place that invites people to come in, cast their lot with us, and help us develop our possibilities, we must have city improvements. If we would invite capital to invest in our midst, see that a water supply is provided for both sanitary seasons and purposes of safety. All possible precautionary measures must be taken against destruction by fire in the way of better fire service. The electric light service must be improved and extended; for it is well known that light is one of the most efficient of police services.

For every dollar of capital that is in this way attracted to Kinston, the whole town will be the beneficiary.

Every family that is thus induced to come to Kinston, take advantage of her school facilities and other advantageous offerings, means another helper in the development of the town and in the bearing of public burdens.

Let other citizens follow "Observer's" example. Put your views before the public. "Let us be up and doing."

VICK'S REMOVAL.

The most bigoted supporter of the administration cannot fail to see, if he will only look, the ludicrous aspects of the president's negro policy.

Teddy has proclaimed himself very solicitous of the political welfare of the negro. On no account should the "door of hope and opportunity" close to him; neither because of his color, nor because of the fact that the great majority of the best people of a community objected to his being placed in office.

But the door can shut, and will go slam bang in a hurry, if the poor miserable negro happens to slip up and vote the Democratic ticket. However, white men may not only vote the Democratic ticket, but may consistently advocate Democratic principles; and President Roosevelt does not consider that a legitimate reason for shutting the door on him. The president has appointed such men and retained them in office.

It would seem to a bystander that no self-respecting negro would appreciate this form of political coercion.

True the president does not take a rattle-snake whip, and drive the negro to physical servitude. But he takes his political whip and tells the "brother in black" that if he does not dance to the music of the G. O. P., the door of hope will be closed to him, and he will be cast into outer darkness.

It is, of course, a fact that the president is catering to the negro vote and to that of white people who are dense enough to be duped by the farcical acts emanating from the executive office.

But there are a great many people in Uncle Sam's wide domains who know a fake when they see it.

The United States had better wait awhile before acceding to Argentina's request to accept the Calvo doctrine that debt collection by naval or military force is contrary to international law.

Circumstances alter cases. The unspeakable Turk has compelled Uncle Sam to threaten this very same kind of coercion before he would "ante up."

Doctrines come in very nicely sometimes; but there are times when they may act as a two-edged sword in cutting both ways.

We have one doctrine with Monroe's name attached to it. That we intend to uphold; but that is enough.

W. H. Adams, one of Senator Quay's friends and lieutenants, had trouble in getting his salary as a mem-

ber of the recent territorial legislature. Instead of attending to his legislative duties in New Mexico, Adams spent the winter in Washington lobbying for statehood. As a consequence his claim for salary was held up.

It was as a Pennsylvania politician that Adams first came into public notice. He went west and made large investments in Mexico, in which, it is said, he is associated with Senator Quay.

This fact may have some bearing upon the senator's perseverance in the statehood movement.

CHURCH AND CLERGY.

The Rev. Dr. G. Campbell Morgan will assume the leadership of evangelistic work at the St. Louis world's fair.

The Rev. Dr. Eldridge B. Hatcher pastor of the First Baptist church, Norfolk, Va., has been elected state superintendent of Baptist missions.

Dr. John D. McCord, pastor of the Green Street Congregational church of Chicago, has been continuously in the harness for the past forty years, with the exception of four weeks.

The Rev. J. W. McGarvey, president of the Bible college of Kentucky university, has probably the largest collection of Biblical curios of any man in the south, acquired through his extensive travel in the old world.

The Rev. George Cocking of Waterloo, Ind., has written a book entitled "From the Mine to the Pulpit; or, Success Hammered Out of the Rock." He is an Englishman and labored for fourteen years in the tin mines of Cornwall.

TIMELY TOPICS.

Having demonstrated the merits of his kind of diplomacy, Mr. Bowen may now put on his coat.—Milwaukee News

Two men in Buffalo have been arrested and fined for expectorating in the street cars. Carry the news to Rochester and about every other city in the country.—Rochester Democrat.

It is naturally to be expected that ice will be high this summer on account of the coal strike. Just how the connection will be established is a matter of minor importance.—Baltimore American.

The business to be handled by the new department of commerce will aggregate about \$20,000,000,000 this year Secretary Cortelyou may have to remove his coat.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

POULTRY.

Little chicks will thrive best if most of their food is cooked.

A lazy, idle hen will lay soft shelled eggs, pull feathers from her companions and not only be continually in mischief, but teaching others.

In mating to give strength and good health to the offspring the pullet should be a year younger than the cock.

The flesh of a fowl fattened quickly is much more juicy and tender than that of one which has been fattened slowly.

One of the best breeds to keep confined in close quarters is the light Brahmas. They are quiet in disposition and are easily confined.

EASY MARKS.

The get rich quick swindlers appear to have been working to some purpose. Evidently there are a good many of our citizens who don't read the newspapers.—Rochester Herald.

It is possible that if a get rich quick concern were protected with iron barred doors and windows there are some "investors" who would secure crowbars and somehow or other break in.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

The people who invested in the St. Louis get rich quick concerns are unable to tell where they expected the manipulators of the schemes to get their profits. The business of separating people from their money always was easy.—Washington Post.

COLLEGE AND SCHOOL.

Dr. F. B. Loomis of Amherst college will this summer conduct an expedition for the collection of fossils to the Bad Lands of South Dakota.

Thirty-two per cent of the boys and 37 per cent of the girls in the schools of Chicago have defective vision, falling two-thirds below the normal, and this number grows steadily larger from the beginning to the end of school life.

The number of men employed as teachers in the public schools of this country, according to United States Commissioner of Education Harris, is slowly but steadily decreasing. The reason is that it does not pay well enough.

THE NORTH SEA FLEET.

The establishment by Great Britain of a naval station on the north sea is only an act of ordinary prudence, and it will make for peace rather than for war.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

The channel fleet has long been a British household word. Soon the north sea fleet will be equally familiar. The origin of the channel fleet was fear of invasion from France. The occasion of the north sea squadron is the growing separation of Great Britain and Germany.—Toronto Globe.

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THE SPORTING WORLD FOR THE CHILDREN

Senator Clark to Return to Turf.
United States Senator William A. Clark of Montana will engage actively in racing this year and has already consulted Messrs. Frank R. Hitchcock and Philip J. Dwyer as to the advisability of purchasing "ready made" race-horses. As yet no selection of a trainer has been made, but friends of Louis Elmore, who handled Ethelbert as a two-year-old as well as many other good horses, say that he may receive an offer.

It will not be the senator's first essay for racing honors. Eleven years ago he maintained a moderate sized stable of



SENATOR W. A. CLARK.

horses at Washington Park, Chicago, and other points in the west. His colors, "blue, gold cap," were not very successful. In one race his representative after running second was disqualified. The racer's name was Ila. Mr. Clark's career on the turf was brief. Those who are accredited with knowledge of his intentions at this time say that he will henceforth carry on racing very much as did his political rival, Marcus Daly, up to the last year of his life.

In due time it is Mr. Clark's intention to establish a breeding farm and thus vie with Messrs. August and Perry Belmont, W. C. Whitney, J. R. Keene, J. B. Haggin and other millionaire turfmen, all of whom are breeding and racing their own horses.

Collecting Autos His Hobby.

F. T. F. Lovejoy, the young Pittsburg millionaire, whose interest in automobiling was the outgrowth of the purchase of over twenty expensive automobiles within four years, is constructing in Pittsburg the finest automobile stable in the country at an expense of \$175,000.

This stable will be 180 feet by 75 feet and two stories in height. The building will be fitted with large storage rooms, a billiard room, swimming bath and a gymnasium for the young sons of the millionaire. A tunnel will lead from the stable to the \$3,000,000 residence now being constructed. An electric plant in the stable will generate the power for lighting the stable and house.

Mr. Lovejoy is thirty-five years of age, modest and quiet in his manner and in appearance hardly the man of \$25,000,000, which is the estimate of his wealth.

Corbett and Britt.

Young Corbett has been having a hard road to travel since he visited San Francisco. His trouble is caused by the admirers of Jimmy Britt, who are constantly trying to coax him into a match with Britt before he returns to New York. Britt is also making it unpleasant for Corbett by giving statements to the newspapers about what he will do to Corbett if he ever meets him in the ring.

American in Oxford Crew.

Oxford and Cambridge oarsmen are working zealously on the Thames for the annual interuniversity boat race, which is scheduled for April 1. D. Milburn of Buffalo, an American, is included in the makeup of the Oxford eight, but his brother, who rowed with him in the same boat last year, is not on the list thus far, although a candidate.

The Sailors and the Cadets.

There is a strong probability that the annual West Point-Annapolis game will be played at either Yale field or at Princeton next year instead of at the University of Pennsylvania. The change is due mainly to the fact that the seating arrangements and capacities are greater at Princeton and at Yale than at Pennsylvania.

American Racing Autos.

Charlie Wridgway, Arthur Banker, C. W. Matherson and others will have racing cars which will be operated on American tracks alone this season. A majority of the American made racing cars will be taken to Europe in April and will not be brought back for several months.

Coming Auto Races.

With Charles Jarrott, the English champion; Henry Fournier, the French champion, and all of America's leading chauffeurs present in America in July next, the indications point to a number of great track races.

Ten Eyck to Coach Syracuse.

James A. Ten Eyck, the famous single sculler, has practically accepted the offer made by the Syracuse (N. Y.) university to become its rowing coach.

Hermann Holds Maloney.

President Garry Hermann of the Cincinnati Baseball club has refused the request of the St. Louis club for the services of Catcher Maloney.

A Boy's Poem.

William Cullen Bryant, the famous American poet, began writing verses at the early age of eight. His father was a doctor, being also very fond of the study of botany, and had accumulated quite a complete library of volumes devoted to these two subjects. Young William was a great reader, devouring everything that came in his way, and of course very early explored the contents of this library. Thus he was introduced to the study of nature, but it was the subject of death, with which he was confronted in the medical works, which made the most profound impression upon him. So deeply was he stirred by its consideration that he composed a poem, for which he coined a name, calling it "Thanatopsis, or a View of Death."

After having completed it, why we do not know, he did not show it to any one, but hid it away in his father's desk. Doubtless he soon forgot its whereabouts, for soon afterward he left home to study law and then to practice his profession in a neighboring town, never having disturbed the composition. Meantime the North American Review had been started, and Dr. Bryant, happening to find the poem in a pigeonhole of his desk, sent it to the editor of the new publication. He was delighted with it and showed it to the well known critic, Richard H. Dana. He immediately exclaimed: "You have been imposed upon. No one on this side of the Atlantic is capable of writing such verses."

But of course it soon became known that this famous and inimitable poem, so well known and dear to all, the equal of which, it is claimed, has never been written by one so young, was composed by young Bryant before his departure from home and when he was but a boy, less than nineteen years of age.—Robert B. Buckham in American Boy.

The Fussing Place.

I have to go to the Fussing Place
When I'm very bad,
And mother has such a sorry face,
And her eyes look sad,
But she says, in just the firmest tone,
"The boy that fusses must stay alone,"
When I have been bad.

At first I pretend I do not care,
And I hum a tune
And walk off quick with my head in the air,
But pretty soon
I begin to hate the Fussing Place,
And to be there seems a great disgrace,
So I stop my tune.

And then I think of mother's eyes,
With that sorry look,
And soon I think it is time to surprise
Her over her back,
So I hunt up a smile and put it on
(For I can't come out till the frowns are gone),
How happy she'll look!

The Fussing Place? Oh, it's where you're sent
When you're naughty and mean,
And there you must stay till you're good again
And fit to be seen.
It's up in the attic or under the stairs
Or seated on one of the kitchen chairs,
And, oh, you feel mean!

But it doesn't matter much where it is,
This old Fussing Place,
For the very spot that seems so bad
When you're in disgrace
Is nice enough when you're loving and true;
So it's not where you are, but how you do,
That makes it a Fussing Place!
—Annie Willis McCullough in Youth's Companion.

"V-e-r-y N-i-c-e."

Girls and boys, especially girls, don't allow yourselves to get into the habit that many grown people have of, when called upon for an opinion of somebody or something of whom or which they inwardly disapprove, drawing out "V-e-r-y n-i-c-e." The attempt to hide disapprobation, envy (a fault to which poor human nature is sadly prone) and several other disagreeable things under the thin veil afforded by these two words is most transparent.

Better tell an honest falsehood, if may use the expression, and accord an emphatic approbation than to employ this weak, half way one which is so easily seen through.

Or, better yet, come out boldly with the truth. "Won't sting a bit more than 'v-e-r-y n-i-c-e.'"—Detroit Free Press.

The Very Worst.

Fanny's mother had company to tea, a gentleman with whom the child was a great favorite and at whose request the little girl was allowed, contrary to the general rule, to have a seat at the table. During the progress of the meal the little woman was unfortunate enough to tip over her bowl of bread and milk. The disaster was so appalling that she settled back in her high chair and gazed at what seemed to her utter ruin. At last, as if the full extent of the catastrophe had just dawned upon her, she drew a long breath and said, "And the best tablecloth too!"—New York Tribune.

Two Thousand Pigs.

A man who fished wanted to put two sows and two pigs in his neighbor's pen. The way he asked was this: "I have just been purporting thome thwive, two thowth and pigh. I want to put them in your pen till I can fix a plath for them." The neighbor remonstrated, explaining that his pen wouldn't hold 2,000 pigs. "I didn't thay two thowthand pigh, but thowth and pigh." And thus it went on for some time until the fisper declared that he meant not 2,000 pigs, but two thowth and two pigh.

He Knew That Sign.

One day the teacher asked the third grade to tell some of the sure indications that spring had come. Since returned for a moment, and then Johnny said, "It is always a sure sign of spring when we change our underwear."—Little Chronicle.

ALWAYS TIRED NEVER RESTED



To be tired out from hard work or bodily exercise is natural and rest is the remedy, but there is an exhaustion without physical exertion and a tired, never-rested feeling—a weariness without work that is unnatural and shows some serious disorder is threatening the health. One of the chief causes of that "Always-tired, never-rested condition" is impure blood and bad circulation. Unless the body is nourished with rich, pure blood there is lack of nervous force, the muscles become weak, the digestion impaired, and general disorder occurs throughout the system. Debility, insomnia, nervousness, indigestion, dyspepsia, loss of appetite, strength and energy, and the hundreds of little ailments we often have are due directly to a bad condition of the blood and circulation, and the quickest way to get rid of them is by purifying and building up the blood, and for this purpose no remedy equals S. S. S., which contains the best ingredients for cleansing the blood and toning up the system. It is a vegetable blood purifier and tonic combined, that enriches the blood, and through it the entire system is nourished and refreshing sleep comes to the tired, never-rested, body.

For over four years I suffered with general debility, causing a thorough breaking down of my system. My cousin, who had been benefited by S. S. S., told me about it. I tried it and it cured me. I heartily recommend S. S. S. to all who may feel the need of a thoroughly good blood tonic. Yours truly, MRS. JOSIE A. BERTAIN, 44 W. Ninth St., Columbia, Tenn.

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