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## IMPROVEMENTS COME BY BIG MAJORITY.

The election is over and the bond vote was 209 above the anti-bond vote. 771 votes having been cast in all.

The 281 votes cast against bonds by no means consist of 281 votes against Kinston's assuming a progressive policy. Many things came in to modify such a conclusion. Undoubtedly there were some who thought that Kinston "could get along" on half rations, and do as she did when she was a country village. But we believe the number of such persons to be small.

A great many persons opposed the bond issue because they opposed the principle of municipal ownership and control of public utilities. They were keenly alive to the fact that improvements were needed, but they thought that the necessary service, if afforded by private individuals, would be more satisfactory.

However if our citizens only keep a sharp eye to their own interests, there need be no doubt but that a perfectly satisfactory service can be had under the management of the city officials. Since, in this case, there would be no dividends to pay to stockholders, the service can be had at a low rate—actual cost. Or, if we want to make the service a source of revenue, we can afford to serve ourselves at the rate charged by individuals or corporation and then pocket the dividends ourselves—for we are the stockholders. These dividends may be used for the reduction of taxes or for making other desirable improvements.

Now that Kinston has put herself on record before the world as being a live city and as having confidence in her own future—so much confidence that she is willing to spend \$150,000, and more if necessary, to provide for her proper development—let all of her citizens fall in line with their representatives elected to direct her interests, and by their sympathetic advice and earnest support make the best possible use of the handsome sum appropriated to improvements.

## A GOOD CITY ORDINANCE.

An ordinance regulating the hours that children under a certain age are not to remain on the streets of Wilkes-burgh, Pa., has been passed by the council of that city. The law was designed to keep from the streets after nine o'clock in the evening children under the age of 14 who are not accompanied by a parent or other responsible for their conduct, who were not sent on an errand or are in the performance of a duty directed by a parent or guardian, and those whose employment does not render it necessary for them to be on the streets. Only such children as do not come under these conditions are not to be allowed to remain on the streets and this will apply only to children under 14 years of age who loiter and play about the public streets and commons. Before approving of the ordinance, Mayor Price took the trouble to ascertain from other cities what laws were in force respecting this point and in answer to his inquiries showed that laws much less liberal were in force in Omaha, Lincoln, Neb.; St. Joseph, Mo.; Lawrence, Kan., and other American cities.—Municipal Journal and Engineer.

THE FREE PRESS is in receipt of an invitation to attend the graduating exercises of the Freedman's Hospital, Washington, D. C., in which the graduating class contains the name of Miss Anna L. Rutherford, daughter of Dr. L. A. Rutherford, of Kinston.

We would also acknowledge an invitation to attend the closing exercises of the Winterville High School on May 13th, 14th, and 15th. Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., will preach the annual sermon on Thursday, the 13th, and the literary address will be delivered by Governor Aycock on Friday the 15th.

There will be a debate on the question, "Resolved, that foreign immigration should be prohibited," followed in the evening by a concert.

The minutes of the 39th annual session of the North Carolina conference of the A. M. E. church recently held in Wilmington makes a creditable showing of the work done by the negroes of this denomination among their own people. The report is well gotten up, and indicates that the denomination is in good condition.

THE FREE PRESS acknowledges the receipt of the captions of the acts and resolutions of the general assembly of North Carolina for the session of 1903, containing a synopsis of the contents.

**CASTORIA**  
For Infants and Children.  
The Kind You Have Always Bought

## JEFFERSON'S RULES OF CONDUCT.

Thomas Jefferson has left a deep impress upon American life. In his own life he lived out those principles that we are so fond of calling Jeffersonian, principles that have drawn the great masses of the people together as followers of certain ideals.

But we do not care at this time to discuss what Jefferson achieved so much as point out some of the guiding principles of his life, comprised in the following ten rules of conduct he gave a young man of his acquaintance:

1. Never put off until tomorrow what you can do today.
2. Never trouble others for what you can do yourself.
3. Never spend your money before you have it.
4. Never buy what you do not want, because it is cheap.
5. Pride costs us more than hunger, thirst or cold.
6. We never repent of having eaten too little.
7. Nothing is troublesome that we do willingly.
8. How much pain have those evils cost us which never happened.
9. Take things always by their smooth handles.
10. When angry, count 10 before you speak; when very angry, count 100.

These rules shaped his own life, and have made it immortal. Each one is rooted and grounded in a noble philosophy that cannot but bring the follower success, satisfaction, happiness and usefulness.

If Jefferson had done nothing more than to formulate these 10 rules of conduct he would have rendered a substantial public service. They stand for great philosophy, just as his purchase of the Louisiana territory, out of which many big states have been carved, stands for great statesmanship.

## SPORTING NOTES.

Beckalexis, the Indian, is again out for a position on some New England team.

Nearly all the big teams picked up good money in the southern exhibition games.

Left handed pitchers are not so very much in evidence in either of the big leagues this year.

As an all round first base man Harry Davis of the champion Philadelphia Athletics is rated among the best.

The New York Americans will require the patronage of half a million people in order to pay expenses this year.

"I think that Wright of the Cleveland has the most speed of any pitcher in the country," says Cy Young. "He has wonderful curves too."

Herman Long is playing a great game with the New York Americans. A change from Boston after many years' service has benefited the veteran.

Bowerman has confidence in Mathewson. He says that if no accident befalls "Matty" he will come pretty near leading the pitchers of the National League.

Frank "Noodles" Hahn shows rare form as a first base man in practice and expects to turn his attention to that department of work when his pitching days are over.

## THRONE LIGHTS.

The Prince and Princess of Wales are the possessors of nineteen pianos, every one of which was a wedding present.

Prince Ludwig Ferdinand of Bavaria, a cousin of King Otto, who has passed his examination as a doctor and who works in the Women's hospital at Munich, has thus found an outlet for his energies.

The German empress has the most magnificent diamonds, which she wears on great occasions at court. They are valued at a quarter of a million sterling, but most of them are heirlooms of the Prussian crown. These jewels can be worn only by a reigning queen, and a dowager is unable to make use of them.

## SHAMROCK III.

Our yachtsmen will certainly meet a challenger of mettle in this year's cup races.—Philadelphia Record.

Sir Thomas Lipton has found a company willing to insure the new Shamrock for \$100,000, but he will probably have difficulty in finding anybody who will insure his winning of the cup.—Boston Globe.

Shamrock III's sails weigh three and a half tons. A somewhat heavy burden. Should the three leaved Irish clover fail to lift the cup, will Sir Thomas persist and go on a search for a fourth leaf?—New York Tribune.

## Too Great a Risk.

In almost every neighborhood someone has died from an attack of colic or cholera morbus, often before medicine could be procured or a physician summoned. A reliable remedy for these diseases should be kept at hand. The risk is too great for anyone to take. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy has undoubtedly saved the lives of more people and relieved more pain and suffering than any other medicine in use. It can always be depended upon. For sale by J. E. Hood, druggist.

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## MOST MEN ARE CHIVALROUS

The Example of the Old Knights Still Potent—Chivalry Is Common Today Among Most Men Even if They Do Forget to Give Up a Seat to a Woman Now and Then : :



The American Man Thoroughly to Be Depended Upon—His Nineteenth Century Chivalry—Exceptions but Prove the Rule—A Few Cubs and Brutes Yet Alive : : : :

By FANNIE HUMPHREYS GAFFNEY, President National Council of Women of the United States



THE AGE OF CHIVALRY HAS NOT PASSED. Time and advancing civilization have so spread the lesson of chivalry taught by the knights in darker ages that today chivalry is a custom so common to men that we only remark its presence when some one fails in its observance.

TODAY MOST MEN ARE CHIVALROUS, CHIVALROUS WITH A MATTER OF FACT EVERYDAY COURTESY AND RESPECT. I CARE NOT IF OUR MODERN KNIGHTS SOMETIMES FORGET OR PERHAPS REFUSE TO SURRENDER A CAR SEAT TO THE SHOPPING DAMSEL. THE LARGER CHIVALRY REMAINS.

The American man or the Americanized man is to be thoroughly depended upon by woman. He may not have all the manners of the Frenchman, but he has the nineteenth century chivalry best adapted for the American woman, and he is the knight of knights of honest, chivalrous manhood.

EXCEPTIONS BUT PROVE THE RULE. CUBS AND BRUTES OCCASIONALLY BREAK LOOSE FROM THE RANKS OF MEN AND DISTURB THE PEACE, BUT THEY FORM BUT AN INCIDENT IN AN OTHERWISE PEACEFUL AND ADMIRABLE STATUS QUO OF SOCIETY.

## MAN'S DREAM OF IMMORTALITY AND WHAT IT HAS DONE FOR HIM

By Rev. HENRY FRANK of New York



THE dream of immortality has retarded the progress and growth of the human race quite as much as it has helped it toward higher planes.

A MERELY PRESUMPTIVE BELIEF IN AN AFTER LIFE, UNSUPPORTED BY SCIENTIFIC CORROBORATION, HAS IN ALL AGES RESULTED IN MORAL DEPLETION AND MENTAL RETROGRESSION.

Any belief in immortality that detracts the attention of men from the practical duties of this life, through a hope of reward and fear of punishment in an after life based on the ipse dixit of alleged supernatural authority, MAKES MORAL COWARDS AND INTELLECTUAL SLAVES OF MANKIND AND IS A POSITIVE AND UNMITIGATED CURSE TO THE RACE, inasmuch as it makes men indifferent to mental, moral and physical conditions.

But if we are to have a paradise in the life beyond, and we wish to know it, why not have a foretaste here by exalting the moral ideals of the race and removing every social, industrial and political obstacle from the path of human progress?

## MODERN LOVELESS MARRIAGES

Marrying for a Home a Tiresome Way of Getting a Living—Has Cupid Changed His Name to Cupidity? Stock Market Quotations For Wealthy Suitors : : :



Blind Cupid a Better Guide Than the Rules of Arithmetic—Joy Not on the Bargain Counter—Better Have a Fortune in a Husband Than One With Him : : :

By Rev. Dr. MADISON C. PETERS of New York



LIFE OF LONELINESS IS MORE HONORABLE THAN A LOVELESS MARRIAGE. ALL HONOR TO THE WOMEN WHO MAKE THEIR OWN WAY IN THE WORLD RATHER THAN LIVE A LIFE WITH A MAN FOR THE SAKE OF SUPPORT!

And not until our women become independent and self reliant will marriage become what it ought to be—a union on equal terms and a free surrender of the heart. The outward legal forms may be complied with and thus seal the lips of criticisms, but wife she is not who marries either for convenience, position or home.

Marrying for a home is a most tiresome way of getting a living. A marriage without love of the lovable is a humiliating stoop to the dust, a mockery that blushes to the skies.

Matrimony is looked upon as a mere matter of money, and CUPID, HAVING GROWN OLD, HAS CHANGED HIS NAME TO CUPIDITY. So common is the mercantile estimate of marriage becoming that I should not be surprised to see the hymeneal market lists chronicled in the newspapers, with the prices current of the Stock Exchange.

Though Cupid is said to be blind, he is a far better guide than the rules of arithmetic. BETTER HAVE A FORTUNE IN YOUR HUSBAND THAN ONE WITH HIM. The man with no money may be poor, but the man who has nothing but money is poorer than he.

Gold cannot buy happiness. Position cannot bring it. It must ever be as clear, sparkling water from the real fountain of life. It must flow from love. What is the interest on \$500,000 in comparison to dividends drawn from a loyal heart and an educated brain?

THE DESIRE TO HAVE A HOME IS COMMENDABLE. THE AMBITION TO REACH A HIGH SOCIAL POSITION IS WORTHY. THE HAND THAT HOLDS MONEY AND THE WEDDING RING BOTH IS NOT ALWAYS STAINED WITH UNRIGHTOUSNESS. BUT MATRIMONIAL HAPPINESS CANNOT BE BOUGHT. JOY IS NOT MANUFACTURED NOR SOLD ON THE BARGAIN COUNTER.

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