

The first reunion of Tar Heels is now a matter of history. The wanderers came from thirty states, and perhaps more. They saw in Greensboro and throughout the State of North Carolina a life and growth that excelled their expectations. There were at least twenty thousand of them when they came, but they went away one composite body of Tar Heels—bearing in their minds and hearts the refrain, "Carolina, Carolina, heaven's blessings attend her!"

Greensboro was indeed earnest about this reunion, and the result was a magnificent success, reflecting credit not only upon the city itself, but upon the whole State. Open-handed hospitality was the watchword from start to finish. The fatted calf was brought forth and slain, and a bountiful feast, consisting of many and varied courses, was spread for the benefit of all.

The management throughout has been enthusiastic, and enthusiasm is the very life blood of any live undertaking.

One of the most impressive facts about the reunion was the fact that its deliberations and ceremonies were presided over by that honored statesman, Hon. Matthew W. Ransom. Senator Ransom is an old man now, having to some extent lost the attractive flash of the eye and elasticity of step so characteristic of former days. While he does not possess that fine physique in its entirety, nor that absolute control of well trained muscles that gave him such a commanding appearance in former days, he still preserves his wonted keenness of intellect, and an unswerving love for his native State, her people and institutions.

The assembled Tar Heels, with one accord, united in paying tribute to their presiding officer, the venerable ex-senator.

Men and women too, eminent in every walk of life were present and participated in the reunion. Even though they were not on the official program, they still made up an integral part of the affair as planned. The value both to themselves and to their mother State of their visit was by no means lessened, because the management provided opportunity for a great deal of personal intermingling between the residents and guests, in that the public exercises were shortened as much as possible.

And in these private talks, and in this personal contact will come perhaps the greatest value of the reunion. The personal interchange of ideas that takes place in this way cannot but bless all the participants therein.

It was well for the wandering sons and daughters to look in again upon the old mother. And it was both profitable and pleasant for the mother to have the distant children at home again. The children found the mother in the renewal of her youth. They were constrained to believe that the old lady had been successful in her search for the famous foundation, for she appeared to be decidedly more coquettish and enticing than comports nicely with her advanced years—so far as proprieties usually go. Then the old lady found out that she had more distinguished living, breathing children, residents of other states than even she had been accustomed to claim for herself.

Greensboro has done a great thing for herself and for the State in bringing this reunion to a happy consummation. The event was a unique one in the history of our American Union. It will probably inaugurate a custom that may be far reaching in its consequences.

Nothing but good can come from a gathering around the old vine and fig tree, such as has just taken place in the Gate City.

The lessons that were learned from the gathering will find expression during many years to come.

At one time there was a large exodus from the State. This emigration consisted of some of our very best citizens. But conditions have changed now. Our enterprising young men and women will find at home unexcelled opportunities for achieving success along a great number of lines, and the young person who covets success will think long before going elsewhere to find it.

There is no doubt of the fact that we were all made better citizens by the reunion.

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Muzzle the Agitators, and All Questions Can Be Solved

By Bishop WARREN A. CANDLER of the Methodist Episcopal Church

THE "Chautauqua season" is a very dangerous period of the year, especially during those years when the congress of the United States is not in session and the thrifty statesman who is deficient in a sense of responsibility for his words is "out for the stuff" and when platform managers who have an eye for the gate receipts only are out hunting for "drawing" sensationalists without regard for the kind of things that the sensation mongers may pour out of their easy acting mouths.



What a pity that these men undertake to handle matters so serious and so complex! Yea, what a peril! Adventurous sportsmen discharging firearms in a powder house would not be a greater menace to good order and security.

Good men, helped of God, can solve all our questions if they can only find a way to MUZZLE THE AGITATORS or if they can find a way to switch the agitators off on subjects that they can talk about without endangering the peace of society. I think, for example, that the race question could be settled if we can find out how to silence the men who make merchandise out of its discussion. For one, I am not nearly so afraid of the race question as I am of the race of "Chautauqua PLATFORMERS and PERFORMERS." The apprehension of the mischief they may do to all the races in our country haunts me all through the dog days. I know how to get on with the negroes, for I was brought up with them. But one of these problem solving talkers scares me. I am not afraid of him for what he really is, but for what some well meaning people may take him to be. A bleating calf jumping suddenly from under a chinquapin bush may make a really gentle horse run away, or a moon eyed horse hitched alongside a reliable nag may shy at what he thinks is a boggy and frighten his mate in the most dangerous misbehavior. It is thus some good men have been led to apologize for lynching. They have seen nightmares until they are prepared to conjure with a real horror in order to down a ghost.

Dictionary Makers Are Charitably Disposed Toward Slang Words

By BENJAMIN E. SMITH, Editor of the Century Dictionary

HERE is a popular misconception as to the purposes to which a dictionary may properly be put. Strictly speaking, it is NOT A STANDARD OF GOOD USAGE, but its mission is rather to interpret usage as it finds it. Because a word appears in a dictionary it is not necessarily a word which writers of cultivated taste would use. In short, a dictionary is properly merely a key to the language. Each case must be determined by itself. When a word has for some reason caught the public's fancy so that it becomes established in the language of slang it generally finds its way into the dictionaries. If a writer of such admittedly good taste as Lowell, for instance, then uses the word in a serious sense it thereupon ceases to be slang, and the explanation "slang" or "colloquialism" is dropped out.

Good taste in writing must be obtained by reading what men have written whose literary taste is unquestioned. It cannot be acquired by consulting dictionaries, the makers of which are far more charitable in accepting newly coined words than are the best writers.

How soon may "stang," the latest slang word that has obtained any general usage, be expected to find a place in a dictionary? All it has to do is to STING HARD ENOUGH and it will find a home somewhere.

The Responsibility of Citizenship

By JACOB A. RIIS (Author of "How the Other Half Lives"), President Roosevelt's "Ideal Citizen"

CITIZENSHIP that lies down, content to let itself be robbed, abused, made a byword of, is bad citizenship.

I prefer the company of the man who does the robbing and the abusing any day to that of the fellow who tamely submits to it.

The doctrine of nonresistance does not apply to civic politics. I am afraid it does not apply to anything—yet. I wish it did. But, I don't see how you can make things go with it until first you have hammered the life out of the other fellow.

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TERMS. The Christian who is after a place in heaven for himself merely and is willing to step on his neighbor to climb in, who saves his soul with the hope of a beautiful mansion in the skies while he lets his helpless brother wallow in a pigsty here below—I wouldn't give a cent for his Christianity or for his chances in the other life either.

By rights he ought to take his turn in the pigsty, and I think likely he will.

THE AMERICAN WHO THINKS MERELY OF GETTING RICH, WHO PLANS HOW HE CAN LAY UP RICHES WHILE HIS BROTHER IN HIS POOR TENEMENT FREEZES AND STARVES AND HIS DAUGHTERS ARE SOLD INTO SLAVERY OF PROTECTED VICE, IS NOT WORTHY OF THE CITIZENSHIP THAT IS THE PRICELESS BOON OF THE REPUBLIC.

The man who can help and will not, who will leave his poorer neighbor to the slums and slum politics—that man BETRAYS HIS COUNTRY as much and as truly as if he deserted its flag in a fight and went over to the enemy. And the man who dares not go to the polls and vote according as his conscience, and nothing and nobody else on earth, dictates, deserts and betrays his brother.

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To determine whether a dispensary shall be established in said town of Kinston, N. C. At said election those favoring a dispensary will vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed the words "For Dispensaries," and all opposed to a dispensary will vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed the words "Against Dispensaries." Such tickets shall be of white paper and without device. The polls will be opened on election day at 7 o'clock a. m., and closed at sunset of the same day. This the 25th day of September, 1903. By order of the Board of Aldermen, N. J. ROUSE, Mayor. L. J. MEWBORNE, Clerk.

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