Enormously did pay.

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The farmers' hands in iron bands By railway kings were tied,
While with the spoil of his hard toil
Their greed they satisfied.

A coffee trust its victims thrust Over the garden wall,
And Standard Oil within its coil
Crushed rivals, one and all.

In everything some selfish ring Or clique participated, While not a staple, from milk to maple Was unadulterated.

They mixed their daily feed With butterine and fat unclean,

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A thing no one could trust, The very metre, it was the cheater— Its measure was not just.

one fer it or I'll report ye. Ticket Seller-Are you sure I gave

Woman-Sure, isit? I would know that wart on yer chin if I saw it in

Chiny. Ticket Seller-Well, I am sorry madam, but I only began work this

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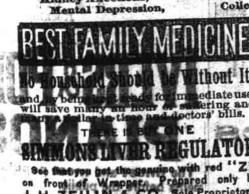
Gentleman-"What do you mean Uncle Rastus, by going to my wife with the story that I said she must assist you? When you came to me to-day I told you that charity began Uncle Rastus—"Yes, sah, an' I as we understand it, that every posi-

Smif, but I'se honest-'deed I is."



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A Graphic Picture of the Early New England Puritans, as Told by a New England

The floodgates of gush have been opened by recurrence of "Forefather's Day," and parsons, publicans, pharisees and politicians having lifted up their heavenly voices in unqualified praise of the Massachusetts puritans, let us vary the monotony by telling some truths not all complimentary to these same puritans, and in the light of which, notwithstanding some sturdy qualities soul common to other pioneers, it appears that they were for the most part as mean and inhuman a lot of bigots as ever set foot on Ameriall fixed right or not, but we'll try can soil. There were a few excentions-there always are exceptions, first class periodical by the time our and they "prove the rule."

Roger Williams was a peaceful Quaker. The forefathers were whilome peaceful Presbyterians fresh from persecutions, papal and protesand snowy December night they drove this peaceful Quaker out from all shelter in their towns to find tenciêties came this year on the 17th of der mercy in the hearts of untutorbegan by fines, imprisonment, whip ping, banishment and torture, to make a history for themselves which must be forever infamous.

They whipped and banished man named Gorton-and this was his offence: His servant smiled in ed debating and speaking by reprechurch, and Gorton publicy defended him. But banishment did not suffice. Gorton and a dozen others bled in the Memorial Hall at 2 went to Rhode Island and settled in a place called Warwick, beyond the "Resolved. That lansez-faire is a false jurisdiction of the Boston court and theory of Government," discussed by M. L. Kesler, of Statesville, and refused to return. A force of soldiers was sent after him. The soldiers captured him and his fellows, after driving their women and children into the woods, brought the prisoners back to Boston-leaving the wo men and children to perish-and were publicly blessed by John Winthrop, Cotton Matherand other good puritans for their great victory over the emissaries of Satan. The prisoners were put in-irons, kept at hard labor through the winter, and banished again for trying to keep away

from their godly forefathers. A few years later a Baptist minisister from Newport, named Holmes with two friends went to Lynn to visit a dying brother. At the bedside of the sick man they were arrested, fined and imprisoned, and when Holmes refused to pay his fine he was taken out into the streets of Boston, stripped and so brutally flogged that some bystanders expressed sympathy for him-and for that expression were fined and imprisoned. No sympathy was expuritans is self-evident.

persisted in poisoning the air of the died, but most obstinately. puritan saints by dwelling in Mass- We have not half told the story,

bore the tongue with a red hot iron. It was a glorious day for God, and Endicott was his prophet.

Two little children were found, whose parents had been banished. These terrible infants were fined for non-attendance at church, and being unable to pay their fines, they dozen vices. It would be a kindness were offered for sale, it is said slaves. Slave selling was not then so uncommon in Massachusetts as graves, but so long as these foreto excite any particular sympathy for slaves, but this case was too atro- with panegyric at festal boards by cious for the none-too-merciful our chiefest men, the truth shall be slavers of the Boston port, and the told of them also, whatever their magistrates were unable to find buy- shame. They endured no hardships ers for their property. What was and displayed no fortitude to distindone with the children we do not guish them from the early settlers in know, but it is fair to suppose that | New York, Maryland, Virginia and the little scoundrels were put to the Carolinas. They are distinguishwork under some God-fearing puri- ed only by the manner in which tan, and that they afterwards at- they "served the Lord as if the devil tended church. But it seems that helped them," while their contemcropping their ears and boring their porary pioneers offered asylum and tongues did not effectually clear out | shelter to the victims of New Engthe Quakers, for a law was passed land's remorseless pietists, and gave punishing with death those banish- men "freedom to worship God" some tant, in other lands. Yet one cold ed Quakers who should return. We hundreds of miles from Boston comread that after the passage of this mon. law "Quaker trials became occasions of great religious interest." Meetings were held, and sermons bearing up-February. Every effort was put ed savages, and an asyluin at last in a on the subject were preached, after for all who attended, especially those puritan piety. They had not been here the sermons, sentenced meek and their town hall. After every show more than twenty years before they inoffensive men and women is over the "bum" part of audience to be hung." All for the glory will collect at the foot of the stairs of God! And the preachers were leading from the hall and fill up the always on hand, we are told, to see passage out of the building and rethat the hanging was thoroughly tain that position until all the rest a done, and that the victims in their of the audience have crowded and last moments sowed no seed of Qua- edged their way out, amid the ob-

prayerful preachers of the gospel are these same puritan forefathers!

But hanging and clipping and From the News and Observer boring and beating and banishing ritan hoped, at least.

About thirty years later Eastern and that they were not very good Massachusetts witnessed the execution of two dogs who had the mis-John Wintbrop was then Gover- fortune to be accused by these ennor of the colony and leader of the lightened forefathers of being too fageneral court, but a merciful provi- miliar with the devil. But saintly dence took him home to heaven and puritanism did not confine itself to put a worse man in his place. This the execution of dogs. Something man was John Endicott, who began like forty innocent and peaceable his holy mission by imprisoning and men and women shared the fate of starving two women because they the dogs. These men and women for giving the women food. Under before the most pious and exem-Endicott a law was passed against plary persons of the colony, and Quakers which it was hoped would found to be witches, and such were root out this devilish sect, and by killed in accordance with the scriptinviting, and thither the larger por- virtue of this law many Quakers, ural command, (Exodus xxii, 18) men and women, were whipped, im- "Thou shalt not suffer a witch to joy the usual social gathering. The prisoned, starved and ill-treated in live." But exactly where in their young ladies, if they enjoy meeting various other ways. But certain Bible these lovely theologians found extreme piety one day he ordered by piling stones on top of him, we en out and whipped twice a week, squoze him till his tongue stuck out each time more severely than the and one of the deacons poked it back

achusetts, and to effectually get rid which damns and ought to damn of them a law was passed which de- and damn forever the very name of We endorse all the proprietors clared that "for the first offence of puritan. It cannot be fully told in

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> that. We are sorry for it; but it is not our fault. We would say for them that they are sincere. Sincerity was about the only conspicuous virtue they had, yet such did they make of it that we can only add that their one virtue was worse than a to the puritan forefathers of New England to-leave them alone in their fathers are annually dug up and fed

NEW ENGLAND'S ENLIGHTENED PRES

If there is anything the town authorities ought to look into it is ker heresy among the faithful. These scene remarks and curses issuing preachers were all ministers of from the lips of those who block the Christ, it will be remembered, and way. No person can get out of the among the most honored of our hall after an ent rtainment with runbonored forefathers. "Robinson, ning a gauntlet of insults and indig-Stevenson, Leddra, and Mary Dyer, nities that would make a stranger one after the other, were led, to the sick of New Hartford foreyer. No beat of a drum through the streets lady ever yet went home without of Boston, and there put ignomini- some insult ringing in her ears. If ously to death, and the bodies any one of our valiant constables of the men were stripped and thrown | would make it a point to clear out into a pit without covering." Beau- the hall-way after an entertainment, tiful is the sight, oh heaven, and in he would be doing the public more the sight of modern politicians and good than has been done in years.

Boodles of Republican Boodle.

Chief cook Harris, of the Republi-Quakers came to an end. Because can party, has returned from Washpuritanism became more merciful? ington and certain northern head-Not at all. Mutilated witnesses went | centres of extreme protection in a over to the king with their ears crop- mighty good humor. This means ped and their tongues bored, and the that he has the assurance of abundking senta peremptory order to John ant sinews of war to be used by the Endicott forbidding further indul- Republicans in accordance with gence in that form of Christianity. their peculiar tactics in the approach-The king was a Roman Catholic. ing campaign. Protection gold will When Endicott thus found his chief doubtless be poured in the State in occupation gone he laid him down quantities, for the Radical leaders and went to his Father in heaven. have a notion that they can carry It is ever thus with the righteous. North Carolina, and the manufactur-The Quakers whom Endicott had ing and monopolistic pets of the murdered were already with their high protective system are entirely fathers in hell-so our saint-like pu- willing to contribute largely of their gains made at the expense of their poorer brethren in order to maintain the enormous unequal profits they have been enjoying under the Republican plan of class favoritism .-The fact should tend to make us look well to the strength of our Democratic forces. We must meet the disreputable moneyed argument of the Republicans with a careful instillation into the minds of the people of Democratic dectrine, which is were Quakers. Then he imprisoned were witches. There can be no doubt of the essence of the truth underlyand banished a man named Upshall about it, for they were formally tried ing our system of government, and with an absolutely full enlistment of Democratic voters. Nothing short of the latter should content us as we approach the crises of the conflict. The issue before us is again the question as to whether the white man shall continue to rule this white man's country. The Radical gold a dozen or two school boys in one evening, multiplicity and intricacy enraged the governor that in a fit of aged 81, to death between two boards will make the negroes even more evening, multiplicity and intricacy should be redoubled because of its use. The horrors of Radical misrule, riot and excess are still fresh in our recollection. The memory of the putting of the negro over the white man in the affairs of the State will never cease to mortify us. Such a

humiliation must not again be per-

mitted, protection gold or mything

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P. S .- We did not mention all the

our coming sheet. We intend to be

expecting a copy. We wrote the

above for the double purpose of

throwing out a few hints ahead, and

at the same time airing the editorial

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THE FIFTY-THIRD ANNIVERSARY

Of the Two Literary Societies of Wake For

est College, N. C.

The fifty-third anniversary of the

persons who need and merit more

attention than any others-the la-

dies. An excursion train was run

trom Raleigh, and, of course, quite a

number of the good people of that

The anniversary exercises includ-

sentatives from each society. The

large and attentive audience assem-

o'clock P. M. to hear the query:

city honored us by their presence.

IDEM.

semi-centennial arrives.

Correspondence of The Rocket.

[Written for The Rocket. PROSPECTUS OF A NEW PAPER. Shall be a Departure from the Sensation

These are the carnival times of centennials and monuments. We are going to celebrate something too. It is a little late for our quartercentennial birth-day, but we'll not have to wait a great many years for our semi, so we'll receive funds and do whatever else we can to get ready for that; we'll make that day famous by starting a paper. It will be as large as several of the largest New York, Boston and Philadelphia papers all put together. The pages will be as large as a bed-sheet, and there'll be a good many of them .-We must have room. We'll make our editorials as long as we please, clear across the page if we like, and other people's pieces shall not be crowded either. There'll be plenty ably be few and brief; we'll compen. per. We could then, like the osof room for all. Our locals will probsate for this by columns of wit and humor culled from the spicy groves of exchanges. Every grown white person may contribute if they will

Poetry and all shall go in-we'll not bow them out with "respectfully declined." The poetical torrent shall Woman (to elevated railroad tick- no longer be impeded in its dashet seller)-Here's a bad quarter ye ings. It shall go swirling and catargave me last week, an' I want a good acting over a whole page-perhaps two will be devoted to its development. We'll be independent enough, we hope, to decline advertisements of patent medicines, so our readers will not begin a promising article and run up on the everlasting pill with a "pshaw!" We'll have no chess column. The end of the world is It is botheration to read of the intoo near to play chess or any such time-destroying contrivance. Neither will we have a boys and girls it consumes! And after one half of chattery; we'll have a separate paper called "The Magpie," in which they can compliment each other and tell about the color of their eyes and hair, their mustaches, crochet samples, etc., to their hearts' content .ticle from the fact that it always We'll not publish annual statements those same articles. Ours would, cures and never disappoints. Colds, of county expenditures—that shall Coughs, Asthma, Bronchitis, Croup, be put in supplemental form. We be put in supplemental form. We or misapplying the Holy Scriptures, sermons and other religious articles for fear of being tiresome to frivolto light ravenously upon some choice (?) morceau of trifling gossip. when "every bell" will be inscribed, "Holiness to the Lord," prefiguring,

> We will name our new paper bus' Golden Ray," or something of that sort, for the name should correspond with the size of the sheet; and, as it is to be devoted to the development of Southern literature, our aims should be high as well as broad. and be forced to "hide our diminished head" and become "some mute inglorious Milton," we had as well have dreamed of greatness, while compelled sadly to murmur, "It

might have been."

subject. The millenial spirit does quite as endurably as a pillar of have said relative to the merits of

against any such unpleasant contin- will, we hope, at least last as long as gencies we'll not mind expending a the chestnuts. An instance of --portion of our receipts in securing a Ahl we are interrupted; perhaps it fiberal patronage. We'll make pres- is best, for, as Bill Arp says of his ents like the "Sunny South" does. two editor sons, we were about to From the Winsted (Conn.) Press. We want to be magnanimous and "write ourself to death." beneficent, and leave "a name at which the world grows pale, to point moral or adorn a tale." This is points in contemplation respecting how we'll do it: we'll print as many copies of our paper as there are stars simply suggestive and leave large in the firmament and forward them scope for the imaginations of those gratuitously to all of our brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, nephews, neices and friends, (that'would make several thousand, we suppose); then we'll send to all of our husband's brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, nephews, neices, cousins and friends; then we can send a sample copy to all their brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, nephews, neices, cousins and friends. Who would care for a larger circulation than that? None could complain about the price of the patrich, run our head in the sand and rest contented as to the remainder of ourself; or, like Scotch Roderick, exclaim: "Come one! Come all! This rock shall flee from its firm base as soon as toe." Yes, our base would be firm as long as we continued to send out the paper gratuitously .-We could thrust our glorious sheet in the face of the world, like the Goddess of Liberty on Bedloe's Island does her torchlight. We hope though, that our flambeau would not singe as many wings as her's; we would not wish to hurt or destroy, but rather shine to warn and

We will not put any recipes .numerable ingredients it takes to make the things, and then the time the twain which has been made one has spent the whole of an August day over the hot stove, trying recipes to save sugar, eggs, butter and extracts, apt as not the other half will complain that we are wasting and we calculate he is as good as the average-perhaps a great deal will not try to be funny by quoting better. Such aspersions as that has a tendency to liberate our Irish, for nor will we refrain from publishing we cannot always be serene. We wish we could-it would be more comfortable. Sometimes we are ous people who skip religious pieces Moody and feel as if we could preach; then we vent ourselves in writing prose-something like this. Again The time is fast approaching when we are in a Sankey frame of mind, every paper will be religious, and and then devote our spare moments (if we have any) to music and poetry. Sometimes we feel like everything is mis-matched and frazzled s'posed yo' meant dat I was to go to tion of trust and influence will be twisted around some way until they filled by christians. "The Rising Constellation," or "Phœ. seems too tight and the drivingwheel out of gear, and we do not know how to regulate them. How nice if all the little conjunctive difficulties of life - the if's, and's and but's could be smoothed placidly down, like the pebbles beneath the If we should fail in our enterprise, shining water! How gently, then, would the stream of our existence go murmuring on till lost in the

great seas beyond! But let's return to the mutton. We shall not go into the business tion should cease to twinkle and be footed in our likes and dislikes, and under the necessity of setting "all as the latter term is much too mild too soon," or the Rays of Phœbus be to express our disgust for flattery, too pale to dispel the gloom of a we may as well say at once that we want of patronage, does any one hate it-almost rancorously hate it. think we'd find ourself ready, will- We always feel powerless to defend ing and thankful for some Lethean ourself when a shower of it falls, so wave to billow over our fair name keep silent as the earth does under and estate and consign us back to a hailstorm, and let it be until it our present obscurity? Perhaps we melts. We will send a compliment. might, but very well we know those ary copy of our paper to Mrs. Cleverecreant waves would wall them land because she was so nice about want a thing forgotten, and it will been rewarded for that, and as no always be preserved in memory ever one else will perform that duty we one else will perform that duty we

the declining luminary of day when ment to that act of our representa- a flirtation. they had us so situated that we tive lady. A monumental paper

F. M. Merritt, of Morrisville, N. C., on the affirmative; and on the negative by R. B. Lineberry, of Chatham county, and D. A. Davis, of Yadkin county, N. C. One of each society on the affirmative and vice versa. The President, J. N. Boothe, of New Hill, N. C., called the house to order and in his introductory remarks said: "If there be a young and ingenious Peter in the hall, sitting by his heart's desired, I earnestly beg him to give his attention to the speaker, as it is to be decided by the audience which side produces the best argument." The secretary. F. B. Hendren, of Bushy Mountain, N. C., after reading the minutes of the last meeting, read the query and called the first speaker on the affirmative. Each speaker was allowed twenty-five minutes for his first speech and ten for the second. All the speeches were of deep reasoning, enlivened by wit and humor. After the long and hard fight, the question

was decided in favor of the affirmative by a majority of one hundred pressed for them, we may be sure, and sixteen. The exercises were now suspended until 8 o'clock P. M., when a still larger crowd assembled to hear the orators display their eloquence. The orators were escorted into the hall by the chief marshals and seated under the banner of Mother Philomathesia and Mother Euzelia renight have been." of publishing all the flattering letters spectively. The first speaker was J. Suppose the stars of our constella-addressed to us. We are very flat-W. Lynch, of Leaksville; subject— "America Holds the Future." Geo Clarence Thompson, of Apex, had for his subject, "Beyond the Alps Lies Italy." This ended the public

selves up, Red Sea fashion, and show the little bundle of chestnuts that of engagements were some of the us off conspicuously in the dry and some poor woman handed her durchoking dust of notoriety. Just ing her trip South. She has never ever all wore smiling faces and seem-

green. People would never forget elect ourself to do it. Our interest- music and the boys farnished everyto allude to the "Lost Pleiad," or to ing journal will be a sort of monu- thing else, from an oration down to

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