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IS IT A COMMENDABLE ADVANCE?

It was our fortune, at a recent day, to be looking over the journals of proceedings of the Convention of 1787 and the journals of the Senate of the United States, published about forty years ago. In the former we found that Mr. Madison, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Gouverneur Morris, Mr. Rutledge and others were members. In the latter there were Mr. Calhoun, Mr. Webster, Mr. Badger, Mr. Clay and others equally distinguished and able. Now there are no *Misters* in the Senate. Why do not the newspapers refer to the proceedings by stating that *Representative* made a certain motion or introduced a certain bill? Why should he be called *Mister*? Who else could make a motion or a speech in the Senate, except a Senator? Why the nonsense of speaking of them as Senators, thus: "Senator" Sherman said; "Senator" Vest said; "Senator" Coke said? It is ridiculous pretension. "Honorable" are now far more abundant than they were in the earlier days. When the University of the State was chartered there were but three "Honorable" in the Board, although the Governor, both the Senators and all the Representatives in Congress were members of it. Now it is so common as not to be distinctive, just as is the degree of J. L. D. and the term Professor. The last named is applied to barbers and travelling horse doctors, as well as to teachers in schools who need teaching very badly themselves. What a rage there is for titles, and how little, really, they are worth!

A CRUSHER.

The nomination of Whitehead to be Minister to France was confirmed yesterday. Senator Ransom was one of several Democrats who voted for him. I fully approve of Senator Ransom's vote. The foregoing is from the Raleigh Chronicle's Washington correspondent, and when it is considered that the correspondent is a woman the announcement of her approval of the characteristic vote of our "superb" Senator ought to instantly settle the question of its propriety, and put an end to the unpleasant criticisms of some of the newspapers. Also ditto in regard to our "superb" Senator's vote for Murat Halstead as Minister to Germany. Also, generally, in regard to anything our "superb" Senator says or does. *Vive la petite coquette!*

BROTHER BAILEY of the Biblical Recorder, brother Caldwell of the Statesville Landmark, and brother Daniels of the State Chronicle have been discussing the subject of bustles, and each has declared himself unalterably opposed to the edict which has gone forth that "the bustle must go." Notwithstanding all that may be said for or against this modern invention, the bustle will be apt to go—wherever the women go.—The Landmark thinks the bustle "undoubtedly an emblem of civilization," while the Chronicle "never felt like criticizing Mrs. Cleveland but she and that was when she discarded bustles." The Recorder was disgusted at hearing "a female evangelist preach without having on such an appendage or addition, and she made such a poor show that we have been in favor of all such improvements ever since." We give these opinions from our married brethren to let the girls know that the bustle is regarded with favor by men of taste and judgment, and they should not be discarded.

THE nomination of Murat Halstead to be Minister to Germany has been rejected by the Senate, and the malignant editor of the Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette will have to stay at home and continue to abuse the South and the Democratic party. But perhaps he will find it a pleasant diversion for a while to eulogize John Sherman for his heroic efforts in behalf of his confirmation, and in heaping anathemas upon those Republican Senators who compassed his defeat.

WE DO NOT know how much truth there is in it, but it is common talk around town that the visit to Washington last week of Messrs. W. R. and Victor Terry and D. M. Morrison was fruitful of results. It is said that Squire Terry got the appointment as postmaster at Laurinburg and that Mr. Morrison is to be postmaster at Rockingham. It is also rumored that Mr. Raiford Terry has been commissioned as a mail agent on the Carolina Central and that John Cameron, Esq., has the promise of a similar position on the R. & A. R. R., from Hamlet to Raleigh. If all this be true, the new Administration is doing the square thing by the "faithful" of this community, and is to be commended for the progress it is making in chopping off the Democratic heads. We should really be glad to see every Republican in Richmond county get an "office," and the farther from home their appointments would carry them the better we should like it.

IT IS STATED that Mrs. Stonewall Jackson was recently virtually tendered the postoffice at Lexington, Va., both the President and Postmaster-General Wanamaker pressing her to accept the position. But Mrs. Jackson declined the proffered place, and it is now intimated that, in his zeal to honor her, President Harrison will tender her the postoffice at Richmond, Va., the salary of which is \$10,000. She is worthy of the highest honor, and it is to be hoped that she will be tendered the latter place and will accept it.

News Outlines.

From the Wilmington Star.
The Navy Department has ordered three war vessels to be sent to Samoa.
Twelve hundred carpenters are on strike in St. Louis for an eight-hour day and forty cents per hour as standard wages.
The case of Cross and White has been assigned for argument on the second Monday of the next term of the U. S. Supreme Court.
A man, supposed to have become suddenly insane, attempted to kill his wife and children in Dalton, Ga., on Sunday, and afterwards killed himself; it is thought his wife will die from her injuries.
A letter has been received in Edinburg from the explorer Stanley, dated September 4, but it contains nothing new.
Pope Leo has written a letter to Archbishop Gibbons and the other Archbishops of the United States, in which he bestows his love and apostolic benediction for their defense of the rights of the Apostolic See.
Queen Victoria has cabled a message of sympathy to the President relative to the terrible naval misfortune in Samoa and the deplorable loss of life, and which was formally presented by the British Charge, in company with the Secretary of State.

Condition of Labor in the Country.

NEW YORK, April 1.—The World presents to-day statements from its correspondents in some of the leading industrial centres on the general condition of labor throughout the country. As the result, they speak well of the present and hopefully of the future, and claim that in some places, especially in the South, workmen are in demand. Two or three admit that "slight reductions" in wages have been made in some trades, but that no disturbances have occurred.

Standing by the Old Confederates.

NEW YORK, April 1.—The legislature of Texas has leased the old State Capitol for five years to the Confederate Soldier's Home at a rental of five dollars a year. The building will be used as a Home. The building produces \$1,500 a year in rents so that the Home will have a steady revenue. The Texas Constitution would not allow a direct appropriation of money for the purpose, so that this method was adopted.

LOST.—"I don't know where, I can't tell when, I don't see how—something of great value to me, and for the return of which I shall be truly thankful, viz.: a good appetite."
FOUND.—"Health and strength, pure blood, an appetite like that of a wolf, regular digestion, all by taking that popular and peculiar medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla. I want everybody to try it this season." It is sold by all druggists. One hundred doses one dollar.

George M. Bulla and Zeb V. Walker, of Lexington, are in Washington looking after the interest of office-seekers in that section.

PINE BURS

Gathered in the Tar-Heel State.
Mrs. Benjamin Meachum died at her home in Lilesville township last Friday, of pneumonia, aged sixty years.—Wadesboro Messenger.

Mr. Julian S. Carr has sent to Orange county a car load of meal for distribution among the famine-stricken people of a section of that county.

Intelligence was received here yesterday of the death of Rev. Jas. S. Purefoy, of Wake Forest, which occurred yesterday morning.—News and Observer, 31st.

It is stated that Southern Pines, the health resort on the R. & A. R. R., is having a very great rush. The place is crowded to its utmost.—News and Observer.

The Central treated its guests yesterday and to-day on strawberries, snap beans, fresh tomatoes and green peas, the first of the season in Charlotte.—Charlotte News, 1st.

Mr. T. B. Tyson, Jr., was happily married to Miss Nannie Phillips by Rev. S. D. Adams, Rev. A. R. Shaw assisting, in Carthage, N. C., last Thursday night.—Laurinburg Exchange.

Our Knitting Mills, says Mr. Wittkowsky, are turning out socks, undershirts and drawers superior to and cheaper than Northern goods of the same make. This is a big step forward.—Charlotte Democrat.

Mr. Harry Smith, route agent between Washington and Wilmington, has been promoted from a third to a second class clerkship in the railway mail service, and his salary increased from \$900 to \$1150.

Route Agent Ledbetter on the Carolina Central railroad sent in his resignation to take effect August 1st, but it has taken effect already and Mr. W. T. Rollins succeeds him in his old position.—Laurinburg Exchange.

News reached this place of a fatal affair at or near Franklinton. A posse of men were in pursuit of a notorious negro named Lyon, who was wanted for some crime, but who refused to be arrested, saying he would die first. The officers renounced with him, but were finally forced to shoot him down in self-defense.—Fayetteville Observer.

On Monday a passenger train will be run on the Aberdeen & West End railroad by regular schedule. A postoffice will be established at West End, now the fastest village in Moore county. We learn that six store houses are going up at that place and that an immense trade is in prospect. Hurrah for Frank Page.—Sanford Express.

Steam was turned on at Mr. J. N. Emmett's new wool factory for the first time Monday to test the machinery. Everything worked like a charm and Mr. E. is much pleased with the outlook for his new industry. He informed us that he expected to add spinning and weaving machinery during the summer and double the present capacity of his factory as early as practicable.—Fayetteville Observer.

We have just been shown an autograph letter from the pen of Ex-President Davis, to Col. Wharton J. Green of this place—who are by the way bosom friends—asking Colonel Green to furnish him with a history, from memory or otherwise, of the treatment of Union soldiers at Roanoke Island during the last war between the States. In this letter Mr. Davis stated that he is at present compiling some facts and history to appear in a pamphlet form soon, on the treatment of Union soldiers at the time and place above mentioned.—Fayetteville Observer.

The fish industry this season is immense in New Berne. One dealer alone shipped Friday per O. D. line, Eastern Dispatch line, and A. & N. C. R., eight thousand and five hundred pounds, in which were eight hundred and fifty-six tobs, five hundred and thirty-six bucks, and the balance in herring and other fish. It took two and one-half tons of ice, and the value of the shipment was \$629.00. This is the work of one dealer alone, and as there are several others it is safe to say that the shipments of fish yesterday amounted in value to \$2,000 or \$2,500.—New Berne Journal.

HOW DOCTORS CONQUER DEATH.

Doctor Walter K. Hammond says: "After a long experience I have come to the conclusion that two thirds of all deaths from coughs, pneumonia and consumption, might be avoided if Dr. Acker's English Remedy for Consumption were only carefully used in time." This wonderful Remedy is sold under a positive guarantee by Dr. W. M. Fowlkes & Co.

WAR SHIPS WRECKED.

One Hundred and Fifty Men Lost Their Lives.
WASHINGTON, March 30.—The following cable message was received at the Navy Department this morning:
AUCKLAND, March 30, 1859.
To Secretary of Navy, Washington, D. C.:
"Hurricane at Apia, March 15. Every vessel in harbor is ashore, except English man-of-war Calliope, which got to sea. Trenton and Vandalia total losses. Nipsic beached, rudder gone, may be towed—chances against it. Will send her to Auckland, if possible.
NEARLY 150 PEOPLE DROWNED.
"Vandalia lost four officers and thirty-nine men.
"Nipsic lost seven men.
"All saved from the Trenton.
"Trenton and Vandalia crews ashore, Nipsic's on board. All stores possible were saved.
"German ships Adler and Eber total loss. Olga beached—may be saved. German losses, 96.
"Important to send 300 men home at once. Shall I charter a steamer? Can charter in Auckland.
"Lieutenant Wilson will remain in Auckland to obey your orders. Full account by mail.
"KIMBERLY."
MERCHANT VESSELS WRECKED.
AUCKLAND, New Zealand, March, 30.—Later advices received here regarding the hurricane which devastated Samoa and wrecked a number of German and American war ships, says the storm swept the island on the 16th inst. The war ships attempted to put to sea, but only the English steamer Calliope succeeded in getting out.
The merchant vessels suffered severely. The bark Peter Godfrey, one other bark, and seven coasters were completely wrecked, and four persons were drowned.
The Calliope sailed for Sydney. The Peter Godfrey was a German bark. She had arrived at Samoa from Sydney.
THE REPORT AT BERLIN.
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FULL POWER GIVEN TO KIMBERLY.
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Knowing that a cough can be checked in a day, and the first stages of consumption broken in a week, we hereby guarantee Dr. Acker's English Remedy for Consumption, and will refund the money to all who buy, take it as per directions, and do not find our statement correct. For sale by Dr. W. M. Fowlkes & Co.

Be Sure
If you have made up your mind to buy Hood's Sarsaparilla do not be induced to take any other. Hood's Sarsaparilla is a peculiar medicine, possessing, by virtue of its peculiar combination, proportion, and preparation, curative power superior to any other article. A Boston lady who knew what she wanted, and whose example is worthy imitation, tells her experience below:

To Get
"In one store where I went to buy Hood's Sarsaparilla the clerk tried to induce me to buy their own instead of Hood's; he told me their would last longer, that I might take it on ten days' trial; that if I did not like it I need not pay anything, etc. But he could not prevail on me to change. I told him I knew what Hood's Sarsaparilla was. I had taken it, was satisfied with it, and did not want any other.

Hood's
When I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla I was feeling real miserable, suffering a great deal with dyspepsia, and so weak that at times I could hardly stand. I looked, and had for some time, like a person in consumption. Hood's Sarsaparilla did me so much good that I wonder at myself sometimes, and my friends frequently speak of it." Mrs. ELIA A. GORF, 61 Terrace Street, Boston.

Sarsaparilla
Sold by all druggists. \$1; six for \$5. Prepared only by C. I. HOOD & CO., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass. 100 Doses One Dollar.

A novelty in a time piece is a silver dog. The clock is set in his side, a red tongue wags in his open mouth, and his tail ticks off the seconds.—Durham Daily Sun.

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We are now offering to the trade all kinds of Harness, Saddles, Bridles, &c.
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All orders entrusted to us will be filled with the greatest care, and satisfaction guaranteed. If not satisfactory they may be returned to us at our expense for return freight.
These goods are all manufactured by one of the largest Harness Manufacturing Companies in the United States. The quality is first-class machine-made and imitation hand-stitched. We propose to give these goods out at the exact figures manufacturers price them at to dealers.

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TRY YOUR LUCK!

I have on hand a large and complete assortment of goods, consisting, among a great many other things, too tedious to mention, of Dry Goods, Men's and Boy's Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Crockery, Hardware, Potware, Tinware, Guns, Pistols, Trunks, Valises, Coffee, Sugar, Shot, Powder, Flour, Meat, Meal, Lard, Molasses, Salt, Fish, Corn, Oats, Nuts, Candies, Apples, Dates, Prunes, Canned Goods, &c., all of which
I will sell as low as Anybody.
And I'll do more. For every dollar you spend in cash with me I will give you a ticket which will entitle you to a chance at
Double-Barrelled Breech-Loading Shot Gun,
OR AN
Elegant Musical Clock,
as you prefer, both of which will POSITIVELY be given away to my customers who hold the two lucky numbers on the 24th day of December next.
A little amusement will be good for your health. Try your luck. You will get your money's worth of whatever you buy and may get the gun or clock to boot.

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The handsomest line of
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H. C. DOCKERY.

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FOR CLOTHING, HATS, SHOES, Groceries

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