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Our heartfelt prayer at this Easter-tide is this: From an extra session of Congress, O, Lord, deliver us!

We suppose Judge Reagan didn't know it was loaded or he wouldn't have handled his Inter-State Commerce bill so carelessly.

North Carolina isn't doing much bragging, but she is moving right along all the same. The winner in a race is generally the one who keeps his mouth shut.

Now, that J. R. Randall, who in the fiery fervor of his youth wrote "Maryland, my Maryland!" has gone to An-niston to edit a daily, we shall expect to see in the columns of the *Hot Blast* an incandescent lyric entitled, "Alabama, my Alabama!"

An exchange speaks of the failure of the prohibitionists to carry the election in Michigan, and says they were snowed under by 10 000 votes. "Snowed under?" Well, perhaps. But if the snow consisted of 10,000 votes for free rum or high license we should say it was snow a good deal the worse for wear, very unwholesome and dirty.

Sir Edward Thornton, formerly British Minister to the United States, is on his way to meet a commission appointed by the Virginia Legislature to arrange for a settlement of the state's foreign indebtedness. There is but one right way to settle a debt, so far as we have yet learned, and that is to pay it. We hope Virginia will be strenuous to remove the blot that now rests upon her.

### IMPORTANT, IF TRUE.

"A quarter of a century ago—just twenty-five years ago to-day—Beauregard withdrew his shattered army from the awful field of Shiloh."—*New York World*.

A quarter of a century ago U. S. Grant, with his shattered and demoralized remnant of an army, was driven by Sidney Johnson under the shelter of the gunboats and but for his untimely death they would have been bagged, and Grant and Sherman would have disappeared from history.—*Wilmington Star*.

Something over a hundred years ago General George Washington with the shattered remnant of an army encamped in Valley Forge. If he had perished there from exposure, his name might have disappeared from history.

Truly these are profitable reflections! Let us continue to evolve such profundities. The public yearns for them.

### CHURCH AT THE "PINES."

Correspondence of the News and Observer.  
SOUTHERN PINES, Moore County,  
April 11, 1887.

Yesterday, Easter Sunday, was a memorable day in the history of Southern Pines, for here for the first time there was public worship on the Lord's day. During the past week the new city hall has been covered in. Availing themselves of this and of the presence of Rev. Mr. Page, of Rockingham, in this vicinity, Messrs. Moffett, Young and Clarke arranged to have services held in the new building at 4 o'clock p. m., and Mr. Page, kindly consented to conduct them, and to preach an Easter discourse. A fine parlor organ was loaned for the occasion by Mrs. Clarke. Messrs. Raymond, of the Prospect Hotel, and Wilson, of Vermont cottage provided the chairs, and the ladies of the Young family arranged a lovely bouquet of spring blossoms for the preacher's table. Blue's Crossing, Manly and the farm houses between them sent many to add to the local congregation. Although Mr. Page was suffering from a sudden and severe bronchial attack, he was able to make himself heard by the surprisingly large congregation who listened with absorbed interest to his appropriate and stirring discourse. A lady from Washington, D. C., presided at the organ. It is expected that this beginning of religious services at Southern Pines will soon be followed by regular weekly services. Among those in attendance from other places were A. F. Page, of Blue's Crossing, and Messrs. Petty and Robeson, of Manly.

The warm weather of the past two or three days is greatly enjoyed by invalids and other visitors to this natural sanitarium.

A party of heavy weights who went out for a ten mile drive last Saturday declare that their escort and guide, Mr. D. C. Blue, of Keyser, is the best "whip" they ever rode with. They were also surprised at the size of the pine trees standing thickly on these sandy ridges, but ceased to wonder when they saw the many freight trains that pass here on the Raleigh & Augusta railroad get all the lumber they can carry.

One remarkable thing at this place is the unanimity with which the invalids from all parts of the North bear witness to the salutary effects of this climate. Among the many here there is not one that does not cordially attest to the personal benefits derived from a temporary stay at Southern Pines. As for the children, "their eyes stand out with fatness." For all bronchial and pulmonary troubles, when not too far advanced, the air and water here possess healing virtues, the like of which have not been found at any other sanitary resort in the United States. S.

Improved sanitation saves the lives of 85,000 persons every year in Great Britain.