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WASTED TIME

The nature corner man of the Indianapolis News tells this pathetic story:

"Ah," said the professor, stopping before the vegetable display at an East Market stand, these are indeed choice specimens of the succinic sativus.

"Nope," said the man behind the stand, "them's cukes."

"Cukes?" said the professor inquiringly. "Ah, I see an abbreviation for cucumbers, which is the current term for cucumis sativus, described botanically as the oblong, obtusely prismatic pepo or hard-rinded berry of the plant I have named."

"My dear sir, you perhaps do not know that this vegetable, so delightfully cooling and refreshing in the heated term of the year, when properly sliced with tender young onions and served with a modicum of salt and vinegar, is one of the most appetizing of ancient esculents."

"Yes, the cucumber was cultivated in Egypt before the days of Moses. If you are interested in the subject you will find that the children of Israel in the wilderness (there were about 3,000,000) mourned the cucumbers which they had left behind them in the land of bondage. You will find this fact recorded in the Book of Numbers, eleventh chapter, fifth verse."

"We remember the fish which we did eat in Egypt freely, the cucumbers and the melons and the leeks and the onions and the garlic."

"Yes, sir; how many do you want?"

"Ah, too bad, too bad; I'm one of the number that cannot eat of this delightful vegetable. This has long been a matter of remorse with me, but the remorse is even greater after I have eaten it."

CUTTING TOBACCO

Forty-nine years ago I began growing tobacco. A few years later I decided that there were certain days better than others on which to cut tobacco for it to cure up nicely and have a rich, waxy and heavy body. To find out the way to tell these dates, and to tell them ahead has been a hard job, but I was finally successful.

To explain, let me say that tobacco has an oily substance which is its natural possession. It has a sap (water) like other vegetation. When the sap rises, it runs the oil out through the pores of the leaves, on the principle that oil and water won't mix, and oil being the lighter is pushed out by the sap. Tobacco cut and cured in this state will be light and "chaffy" you see, there is nothing but sap in the tobacco and when cured this sap is gone. It evaporates and leaves the tobacco light and worthless. But to cut tobacco when the sap is down and the oil has full sway, you can cure it up nicely and with a heavy body; it will be rich and "waxy." This happens because the tobacco is full of oil instead of sap, and the oil can't evaporate and remains in the leaf to make it rich and heavy.

It has been my experience that we must cut tobacco when there is oil in it, if we expect to have oil in it when cured. For instance, you have experienced cutting one week and having excellent luck and then cut a few days later, probably on the same piece of ground and with riper tobacco, and have no luck at all.—D. Y. Davis, in Franklin Times.

THE GOOD OLD DAYS

Those who are fond of raving over the happy days of yore and criticizing acrimoniously the present perturbed times for their surplus of ill-judged legislation may derive some consolation from a perusal of the old blue laws of New Haven, which are printed below:

"No man shall be a free man or have a vote unless he is convicted and a member of one of the churches allowed in the dominion."

"No food or lodging shall be offered to a heretic."

"No one shall cross a river on the Sabbath day but authorized clergymen."

"No one shall travel, cook victuals, make beds, sweep houses, cut hair or shave on the Sabbath day."

"No one shall kiss his or her children on the Sabbath or fasting days. The Sabbath day shall begin at Sunset Saturday."

"Whoever wears clothes trimmed with gold, silver or bone lace above one shilling per yard shall be presented by the grand jurors and selectmen shall tax the estate 300 pounds \$1,500."

"Whoever brings cards or dice into the dominion shall pay a fine of 5 pounds (\$25)."

"No one shall eat mince pie, dance, play cards or play any instrument of music except the drum, trumpet or Jewsharp."

"No man shall court a maid in person or by letter without obtaining the consent of her parents. Five pounds penalty for the first offense, 10 pounds penalty for the second offense, and for the third offense imprisonment during the pleasure of the court."

"That the ancient lawmakers were grossly misguided needs no further proof than the fact that they considered the drum, the trumpet and the Jewsharp 'instruments of music.'—Knoxville Journal.

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THE OLD NORTH STATE PICK-UPS OF INTEREST.

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NEWS FROM MURPHY TO MAN. A severe rain and hail storm at Newton last Friday did much damage to crops and fruit trees.

District Attorney Hammer has been authorized to change his office from Winston-Salem to Asheboro.

Thursday night the store of Mebane Supply Co. at Mebane was entered and between \$300 and \$500 worth of goods stolen.

Will Stephenson, in Charlotte early Friday morning, shot Sarah Walker five times and then cut her head off with an axe. Both colored.

The second ice plant started business in Louisburg a few days ago and a cut-rate was begun. Ice sold at one-fourth of a cent a pound.

Lightning struck the barn of the parsonage of the First Baptist church of Mt. Airy, tore a hole in the roof and killed a good horse belonging to Rev. T. H. King, the pastor.

The R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company will erect an eleven-story building in Winston-Salem that will hold 3,500,000 pounds of tobacco and will cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000.

Dr. W. C. Steele, who has a large farm near Mt. Olive, lost several fine cattle a few days ago as the result of poisoning. The cattle, in search of water, came upon and drank a quantity of material that had been prepared for use in spraying them to rid them of ticks. The preparation was deadly poison and killed all the cattle that drank it.

Paul Jarrett has returned to Newton after an absence of six years. His people had not heard from him in three years and were about ready to believe him dead. He enlisted in the army soon after leaving Newton. After leaving the army he joined the hospital corps of the navy and was on the government ship Burnside which was wrecked off the Japan coast two years ago. The ship drifted into a group of the Philippine Islands, where the greater part of the crew died from dysentery. The remnant made their way across the island on foot and were picked up by a ship and taken to Australia. From there they were brought on a Canadian steamer to Canada, and as soon as Jarrett landed he started home.

THE "SQUATTER" LAW A good many years ago, before most of us were accustomed to take more than passing notice of events ordinary and extraordinary, there lived in the country a man by name of Clem Wooten, who by reason of his eccentricities claimed more attention for a brief period perhaps than any man in the county at that time. He was conspicuous because of his frequent use of what is known as "squatters" law. Under this law one who purports to own a piece of land about which there is some doubt as to the legal or rightful owner, can take possession by "squatting" thereon and in some instances prevent a sale of such property.

Here is where the fun comes in. There is here in this hustling little town of Leaksville, a piece of land about which there has been more or less controversy as to who the real owner is, there being one or two claims aside from the town of Leaksville to the property. Some four or five weeks ago the town commissioners advertised this piece of property for sale, the date of sale being May 30. No serious objection to the sale was anticipated until last Friday night, when W. B. Trogdon, who claims a title to the property, arrived in the city and at once proceeded to said piece of land, thereon casting his tent, spending the night there and with grim determination avowing that no sales should occur. Mr. Trogdon was making use of the "squatters" law and it was an amusing spectacle to behold him safely domiciled in his new home, with not a care to molest and disturb him, listening to the twitter of the gay little birds as they flitted here and there, and all the world seemed glad in the thought that a new citizen had come to town. The hour set for the sale arrived and a goodly crowd assembled. Mr. Trogdon was there with his attorney and both strenuously objected to the sale. However, the auctioneer was instructed to proceed and ere long the sale was made, John A. Carter being the highest bidder at \$380. Then it was that Mr. Trogdon forbid any one going on the property, which he still claims as his own.—Leaksville Courier.

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In the period between November 1, 1913 and June 18, 1914, 105 national banks were authorized to begin business. Thirty of the new national banks were formed by the conversion of state banks. During the same period 15 national banks were absorbed by other national banks, six were re-organized and 48 were absorbed by state banks. This leaves a net increase of 32 national banks.

The Supreme court of the United States has declined to issue an injunction restraining the treasury department from granting Cuban sugar the 20 per cent differential provided by treaty, in addition to the new reduced rates of the tariff law. The merits of the case, brought by the state of Louisiana, were not passed on, however, and the decision did not preclude action in the customs court.

Railroads are not liable for injury to interstate employees or members of their families riding on passes which contain stipulations that the passenger assumes all risks while being so transported. The Supreme court of the United States so decided and held that a pass is not to be regarded as part of the compensation for which the employe works. But is in reality free and subject to any conditions the railroad may impose.

Some of the important cases left undecided by the United States Supreme court, which has adjourned until October, include cases involving the constitutionality of the "grandfather clauses," limiting the right of negroes to vote in Oklahoma and Annapolis, Md., the mid-western land case, involving the validity of President Taft's withdrawal of oil lands from entry; the Nashville grain re-shipping case, and the Henry case involving the right of Congress to compel individuals to testify before investigating committees. The court handed down 591 decisions during the term.

Most of the unfavorable stuff which is told of Bryan is probably hatched in the Hearst lie-incubator. Bryan takes no orders from Hearst and therefore Hearst is against Bryan. Secretary Bryan is giving faithful service to the country; he is giving valuable service to President Wilson, as is acknowledged by the President, who says that Mr. Bryan deserves "not only our confidence but our affectionate admiration," and that "not only have Mr. Bryan's character, his justice, his sincerity, his Christian principle, made a deep impression upon all with whom he has dealt; but his tact in dealing with men of many sorts, his capacity for business, his mastery of the principles of each matter he has been called upon to deal with, have cleared away many a difficulty."

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