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Samson the First Man To Advertise.

For the benefit of those who abhor printers' ink as a prime factor to the advancement of their interests, we should state that Samson—the strong party—was the first man to advertise. He took two solid columns to demonstrate his strength, and several thousand people "tumbled" to the scheme. He brought down the house.

She Got the Laugh on Him.

Near Ramson's bridge in Nash county and way back in the seventies an old lady who lived near Col. Arch Alston wanted to sell her small farm and painted on a board: "This farm for sale." A traveler passing, asked "When is this farm going to sail madam?" to which she replied by placing her thumb on her nose, "Just as soon, sir, as some fool comes along who can raise the wind."—Rocky Mount Echo.

Remarkable Occurrence.

Several years ago a farmer near Chesterfield, whose modesty forbids the publication of his name, hung his vest on the barn yard fence. A calf chewed up a pocket in the garment in which was contained a standard gold watch. Last week the animal, a staid old milch cow, was butchered for beef and the timepiece was found in such a position between the lungs of the cow that the process of respiration had kept the stem winder wound up, and the watch had lost but four minutes and two and a half ticks in seven years. It is one of the most remarkable occurrences we ever heard of.—Jefferson, S. C., Citizen.

Minister Hurt and His Horse Killed.

A terrific wind storm struck Rowan county March 15, doing much damage in the neighborhood of Dunn's Mountain. During the storm Rev. N. D. Boddie, who was visiting his parishioners near Union church, took shelter in a farm house, which was demolished by the storm, his horse being killed under the building and his buggy badly damaged, and he himself sustaining severe bruises. After the storm the minister walked to another farm house, where he was cared for. The wind, which was little less than a hurricane, was accompanied by a heavy down-pour of rain, which did considerable damage. The gale spent itself in an easterly direction.

The Main Cause.

As a matter of fact, the feeling of the people against the railways has been mainly developed by the high freight rates and discriminations, the irregular schedules, the lordly manner of some of the railway officials and some of the station agents, too, by the scarcity of passenger cars in many cases and by untidiness of the passenger coaches. In some places the conduct of the railway people has been such as to make it appear they did not care for the public, and this action on the part of a few has affected those who behave better. This is the story in a nutshell. It is claimed that the freight rate bill recently enacted into law will prove the best thing of its kind the State has ever had and will relieve a large part of the trouble.

Slander.

He who can choke the sweet flowers of social love, and taint them with disease; or in the paradise of earthly bliss, where the plants of virtue flourish, spread the light and mildew of desolation hatred and distrust—who can crush his neighbor's fame to dust, and build on its ruins—who can write infamy on the brow of others to prove his own purity, is neither man nor beast, but a heartless fiend. Those who have seen their dearest interest tampered with; who know what it is to have the priceless gem of a good name sullied by the poisonous breath of cold unipitying slander, these best can say, he has no heart. If the lightning's flash ever darts from heaven to strike the guilty down, it will blast the hope of murderers such as these.

Best Wifehood.

The truest, best and sweetest type of the girl of today does not come from the home of wealth, she steps out from the house where is comfort rather than luxury. She belongs to the great middle class—that class which has given us the best wifehood, which has given helpmates to the foremost men of our time; which teaches the manners of the drawing room and the practical life of the kitchen as well as teaches girls the responsibilities of wifehood and the greatness of motherhood. These girls may not ride in their carriages they do not wear the most expensive gowns, they may even help to enlarge the family income, but these self same girls are the great bulwark of society, not only of the present but of the future.

Eastern Training School.

The State board of education had a meeting and elected trustees of the Eastern Training School which the Legislature has just established and to which \$25,000 has been appropriated on condition that the point of location puts up at least a like sum. The principal point wishing the school are Greenville, Washington, Rocky Mount and Elizabeth City. The board of education has entire charge of the matter of location.

To Correspondents.

We are always glad to have items that will prove of general interest to our readers, and we wish to ask our correspondents to confine themselves to this rule. The fact that a few neighbors in the same neighborhood have visited each other, is of no great interest to the reading public, and while we have given correspondent much latitude in this particular, we will have to request them to give only the items of news that will be of general interest.

Married Burglar.

Two weeks ago Charles McKenzie robbed the house of James Noonan in Omaha. Last week Noonan's pretty and romantic young daughter got license and a preacher and went to the jail and married the burglar. As the law of Nebraska prevent a woman from testifying against her husband, and as Miss Noonan was the principal witness against McKenzie he was discharged from jail. The parents objected to McKenzie going to see the girl, and he broke into the house to see her. Incidentally he stole \$85.00 worth of gems.

Appearance Counts.

The outward appearance of a town is the badge of the public spirit of its citizens. When a man becomes interested in his back yard and in his front yard, and in the paint on his house, he sooner or later becomes interested in the street in front of his house, in the street throughout its length, in the questions of water supply, lighting and sewerage, and in the men who manage these things for the town. Then he will go to the town convention and vote for those men and measures which his observations have shown him to be for the best interests of the town; and behold, you see before you a progressive citizen.

The Girl on the Farm.

I met her in the Springtime
When a glow suffused the sky;
O, the softness of that splendor
Was as tender
As the luster of her eye.
The morning dew was sparkling
As stars shine out in space;
But brighter than this gleaming
Was the beaming
Of the beauty of her face.
The lilies bowed and whispered
As I took her gentle hand;
But softer was my whisper
As I kissed her,
For 't was heaven's border land.
The golden shades of sunset
Softly rest upon us now,
And the glow of the Eternal
Is supernal
As it crest her sacred brow.

Do You Want to Know What You Swallow?

There is a growing sentiment in this country in favor of medicines of known composition. It is but natural that one should have some interest in the composition of that which he or she is expected to swallow, whether it be food, drink or medicine. Recognizing this growing disposition on the part of the public, and satisfied that the fullest publicity can only add to the well-earned reputation of his medicines, Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y., has "taken time by the forelock," as it were, and is publishing broadcast a list of all the ingredients entering into his leading medicines, the "Golden Medical Discovery," the popular liver invigorator, stomach tonic, blood purifier and heart regulator; also of his "Favorite Prescription" for weak, over-worked, broken-down, nervous and invalid women. This bold and out-spoken movement on the part of Dr. Pierce, has, by showing exactly what his well-known medicines are composed of, completely disarmed all harping critics who have heretofore unjustly attacked them. A little pamphlet has been compiled, from the standard medical authorities of all the several schools of practice, showing the strongest endorsements by leading medical writers of the several ingredients which enter into Dr. Pierce's medicines. A copy of this little book is mailed free to any one desiring to learn more concerning the valuable, native, medicinal plants which enter into the composition of Dr. Pierce's medicines. Address Dr. Pierce as above. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are tiny, sugar-coated anti-bilious granules. They regulate and invigorate Stomach, Liver and Bowels. Do not beget the "pill habit," but cure constipation. One or two each day for a laxative and regulator, three or four for an active cathartic. Once tried always in favor. \$50,000 GIVEN AWAY. In copies of Medical Adviser, a book that sold to the extent of 500,000 copies a few years ago, at \$1.50 per copy. Last year we gave away \$50,000 worth of these invaluable books. This year we shall give away \$50,000 worth of them. Will you share in this benefit? If so, send only 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing only for book in stiff paper covers, or 31 stamps for cloth-bound. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

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"What is worse than a jealous woman?" asks the Detroit Free Press. Two jealous women. Come again.—Washington Post.

Afflicted With Rheumatism. "I was and am yet afflicted with rheumatism," says Mr. J. C. Bayne, editor of the Herald, Addington, Indian Territory, "but thanks to Chamberlain's Pain Balm am able once more to attend to business. It is the best of liniments." If troubled with rheumatism give Pain Balm a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. One application relieves the pain. For sale by J. G. Hall.

As Easter bonnet time draws near the song might be changed to "Everybody works father."—Greenville Reflector.

To remove a cough you must get at the cold which causes the cough. There is nothing so good for this as Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup. The liquid cold relief that is met quickly effective, that stills and quiets the cough and drives out the cold. Sold by J. G. Hall.

Mrs. Lease says 55 per cent of the women workers have been abandoned by their husbands, but all women cannot make enough to support a husband.

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Down with the Demagogue.

The Farm Magazine says there is a duty resting upon every man to do his part towards stemming this downward current, toward ignoring the extravagant demagogues and unthinking people, and in sanity of mind and soul rejoice that he lives in a day of such marvelous advance over the past, a day of such wonderful comforts of civilization in which everybody has a chance to share, and a day of such limitless opportunities for everybody—white or black, male or female—who is ready in honesty and sobriety, in faithfulness to duty and in ordinary common sense to devote themselves to their work, whether it be as a farmer, a field hand, a manufacturer, a mechanic, a railroad operator, or a trainman. Alike to all, the world holds out a more inviting prospect, a more alluring opportunity for success than any other period in human history. Down with the false agitator; up with the sunshine and optimism of a Heaven-favored people.

Harrison Convicted for Kidnaping.

After being out nine hours the jury at Elizabeth City in the case of Joshua Harrison, charged with kidnaping and murdering Kenneth Beasley, the young son of State Senator S. H. Beasley of Currituck county, returned a verdict of guilty. The trial lasted five days. Two years ago Kenneth Beasley disappeared from school taught by Miss Nina Harrison, daughter of the convicted man. Since that day not a single trace of the boy has been discovered, although some of the best detective ability in the country has worked on the case. Judge Allen remarked that the jury having found the defendant guilty and the crime being so heinous, he was of the opinion that the circumstances justified the full punishment, and he thereupon sentenced Joshua Harrison to serve a term of 20 years in the State's prison.

Mr. Beasley is depressed and does not hold very high hopes of ever recovering his boy.

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