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THE ONLY WOMAN MASON

BIOGRAPHY OF MRS. CATHERINE BABINGTON.

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J. P. BABINGTON, Editor Mountain Scout Taylorsville, N. C.

Conference Great Success.

The first Conference for Social Service has just closed. It was voted by all present a grand success. It brought together leading social workers in health work, illiteracy, liquor problem, race problem, child labor, taxation, orphanages, improvement in country life, etc. Senator Owen gave it an impetus at the first meeting, after which interest grew rapidly, and the organization was placed on a permanent basis. It is expected to hold annual meetings for the study, investigation and alleviation of the social problems in our State. The organization already has a membership of between four and five hundred of the best citizens of the State. Anyone interested in any kind of social work should write Mr. Clarence Poe, President, Raleigh, N. C., or Dr. W. S. Rankin, Secretary, Raleigh, N. C., for full information regarding the Conference.

Caution to Women Suffering from Catarrh
A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused Catarrh of the Lungs. I was unable to do my work and my health was so bad that I was almost a wreck. I was told that I should take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and I began to feel better. I took it for a few days and my health was so good that I was able to do my work again. I am now well and my health is as good as ever. I would like to see you and tell you all about it. Write to me at once. My address is 1234 Main Street, New York City. My name is Mrs. J. P. Babington.

Sick people are an expense to the State, whether the burden be borne by the State or by individuals, for the wealth of a State is but the aggregate wealth of its people, and any State that will not assume the duty of caring for the public health will fall in its competition with other States.

A Warning.

The three extracts given below were all taken from an issue of a North Carolina newspaper about fires in the State. They tell their own story, and no comment should be necessary:

(1) "With the barn, a fine driving horse, three buggies and a lot of feed was burned (loss \$1,500.00). The fire is said to have been started by children playing with matches in the barn."

(2) "This was the second fire in the downtown district in the last three days, and the blaze had taken on a spectacular aspect when the firemen arrived. It is thought that the fire started from a cigar or cigarette stub or match carelessly thrown through the ventilator opening on the sidewalk. A number of packing boxes, and a quantity of excelsior and other materials were just under the opening."

(3) "Died early this morning as a result of burns received Wednesday when his clothes ignited from a match with which he and another child were playing on the street in front of the lad's home. The child was thought to be not seriously burned, but he grew worse Thursday. The funeral was held this afternoon."

Why will our people longer tolerate the "criminal" match and unclean premises? They mean not only a destruction of property, but also a loss of life. We are up against a condition, not a theory. Call upon your city authorities to act, and at once.

JAMES R. YOUNG,
Insurance Commissioner.

How to Bankrupt a Doctor.
A prominent New York physician says: "If it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bankrupt." When you contract a cold do not wait for it to develop into pneumonia but treat it at once. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is intended especially for coughs and colds, and has won a wide reputation by its cures of these diseases. It is most effective and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

A man who enjoys having the women flirt with him does not care to have his wife give other men the same kind of enjoyment.

It is better to grumble about your wife than at her, although both are utterly useless.

A woman thinks a man will change after she gets him—and most of them are different.

Rockefeller does not reply to his critics. Silence is golden.

Typhoid Vaccination As An Excuse.

A disposition to make the method of vaccination against typhoid an excuse for maintaining insanitary conditions is not one that should be encouraged. This seems, however, to be the tendency of a recent newspaper editorial on typhoid immunization, in which it is declared that the method will "be a boon in towns where water-purification plants cannot be built because of the expense." It can hardly be believed that this point of view will find many supporters. It is too much like blowing out the gas because there is a good chance of recovery if the pulmotor is brought in time. Taking trouble and especially spending money for a good water-supply may seem to some minds more difficult than having some one inject a dose of dead bacilli, thus permitting the intelligent but impecunious citizen to drink sewage-laden water with impunity. We can hardly believe, however, says The Journal of the American Medical Association, that this method of reasoning will become general.

Death of Rev. B. L. Beall.

Rev. Benjamin L. Beall died last Friday morning at his home in Greensboro, having reached the age of 86 years. Mr. Beall was ordained a minister in the Presbyterian church at the age of 20, and had therefore been in the ministry for 66 years. He was born in Georgia and was a graduate of the University at Oglethorpe, and later from Princeton University.

He was well known in Lenoir and Caldwell county, having assisted in the organization of Lenoir Presbyterian church in 1852 and served as pastor of the church from 1880 to 1883. He was a cousin of Mr. J. H. Beall, of Lenoir.—Lenoir Topic.

Rev. Mr. Beall is remembered by many of the older citizens of this section, he having served the Presbyterian church, as pastor, some thirty or more years ago.

It has long been the impression that our rural districts are healthful, and that our people in the county live longer than the people in our cities. Many other people, familiar with both country and city life claim that the number of deaths from such preventable diseases as typhoid fever and consumption is far higher in the country than in the city. The truth is that no one really knows the health conditions of any county, section or part of our State. Why? simply because we have no adequate vital statistics law in this State, and therefore no one has any real basis for an opinion. If the present Legislature passes the Vital Statistics Bill now before it, we will soon know our health conditions, and when a community knows that it is more unhealthy than a neighboring community it will set about to reduce its death rate in earnest. This has been the experience elsewhere, and it will be the experience here.

The biggest fool is the one who knows it all.

It is so often said that we appreciate most the things we work the hardest for. The appreciation of their husbands by some wives must be something beautiful to behold—measured by this standard.

Man never escapes punishment for disobeying the laws of nature.

The man who makes money betting against his own success certainly doesn't earn it.

The increased cost of living doesn't seem to make any difference with the bed bug.

If overeating dulls the brain, the cost of living is conducive to overdevelopment of the brain.

A pessimist is a person who believes divorce to be the happiest part of married life.

The foot that rocks the cradle isn't the same one that is kicking for woman's rights.

EXTREMELY LOW Round Trip Rates To Washington, D. C., Account Of Inauguration, March 4th, 1913, Via Southern Railway.

On account of the above occasion, Southern Railway will sell round trip tickets to Washington, D. C., at greatly reduced fares. Dates of sale, February 28th, March 1st, 2nd and 3rd, with final return limit March 10th, with privilege of an extension of limit until April 10th, by depositing ticket with Special Agent and payment of one dollar. Following rates will apply from stations named. Reduced fares from other points on same basis.

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Some people are made unhappy by learning that there are others just as happy as they are.

A student of human nature never reaches the post graduate course.

When you want honest advice do not go to a partisan.

Raising an aeroplane is no trick to the man who has successfully raised a family of boys.

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