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BETTER PEACE THAN CALAMITY

The esteemed Raleigh *News-Observer* in a recent editorial, "They cry Peace, Peace, when there is no Peace," has a column and a half attempting to explain its position and resent the criticisms of several of its contemporaries.

The JOURNAL's criticism, the *News-Observer* has very much mistaken, for the JOURNAL's criticism was that the *N.-O's.* local and editorial expressions were very inconsistent, the local editor publishing glowing accounts of Raleigh's development and growth, and its future possibilities, while the editorial columns were filled with gloomy and dire predictions for the future, with the present conditions represented as being in a chaotic state.

The *News Observer* could never be accused of being "jubilant" in its editorial columns over the business outlook of the country, for it has determined to see through prejudiced eyes, noting imperfections, discrediting anything that might be called good.

This may be "good politics," but it is not the object of journalism to continually look through shaded glasses, to judge the good by the evil.

If it must be "Peace," or "Calamity," let it be the former by all means, for the wail of the political calamity howler, has been too all persistent during the past few years.

Under the plea of "telling the truth" the *News Observer* has in its local columns dilated on the wonderful building up of Raleigh.

It has issued "special editions" on numerous cities and industries of North Carolina, showing the great development of these, and the possibilities of their future.

Yet at the same time, very often in these same issues, it has edited its telegraphic news columns with woeful scare heads, often misleading as to the subject matter following, and its editorial columns have reeked with lamentations over the present and future condition of business and trade in general.

If the *News-Observer* is to be a calamity paper let it be one without apology, but to blow hot and cold in the same issue is neither good journalism nor good business.

The *News-Observer* has sufficient standing and reputation, if it so desires, to be an active agent in restoring that lost "confidence," it so much deplores, and it ought to err rather towards crying "Peace" than to see the other side, and so constantly publish it.

INFELICITIES OF JOURNALISM.

The lot of the country newspaper editor is a happy one, and he has a goodly heritage. But the popular belief that he spends all his time upon flowery beds of ease or promenading along the primrose paths of dalliance is not strictly and accurately correct. He does, doubtless, have a good time and sees good days. But occasionally he is set in slippery places and his joy is turned into heaviness for a season.

We noted not long ago the troubles of our esteemed friend, the Cumberland News. Our friend believes with all his columns that taxation is no tyranny and that a high and prohibitory tax wall is the only specific for all the ills which afflict or can afflict the body politic. One morning there was consternation in Cumberland. The News came out and fired a whole broadside into the protection ranks. It denounced protection and argued for free trade with a fierce and unholy zeal. People read it and rubbed their spectacles and read it again to see if their eyes did not deceive them. But there it was. The News that day was violently for free trade.

The next day the explanation came. Some one had blundered. The purveyor in the city had sent the free-trade page of plates instead of the protection plates, and they had slipped into the forms unobserved. But while the excitement lasted the unhappy editor drank the bitter waters of affliction.

And now the countenance of our esteemed friend, the editor of the Worchester Advocate, is sad and his soul is full of heaviness. The Advocate takes pride in advertising itself as "the only Republican paper in Worchester county," and its loyalty to the Hon. George L. Wellington had been considered above proof. What, then, was the amazement of Worchester county when one morning the only Republican paper came out fresh and damp from the press containing an article which referred to the leader of the party as "Shantytown George?" It gave great occasions for the enemy to blaspheme, and the sons of Belial made haste to make mouths at our friend and ceased not.

Then the explanation came. An enemy had done it. The editor had been away, and when he came back he wrote a scorcher. He said that the papers which had quoted the "Shantytown George" article are ring organs and their editors have mustard-seed souls. In quoting editorials from a paper, says our friend it is only fair to quote "what the responsible owners of that sheet wrote when sober, and not what some one slipped into the paper when they were away from the office on legitimate business. We sometimes fight hard, but always fair."

And so it will be seen that while, as a rule, the ways of the country editor are ways of pleasantness, all his paths are not paths of peace.—Baltimore Sun.

A WEEK OF HEAT.

The past week or ten days has seen a high range of temperature seldom witnessed in this city.

A temperature of 90 to 95 degress for two or three days would not be unusual, it is expected at this season, but whenever the thermometer register 95 degrees, perspiring humanity suffers, and endures, with a forced patience, perhaps, feeling sure that the time for cooler weather is not far away.

But the present heated term has exceeded its limit. Each morning it has been hot, the temperature rising during the day and recording daily above ninety degrees.

The thunderstorm and rains, instead of causing a break in the heat, has seemed to increase and intensify it, until humanity has cried, "Enough of this hot weather!"

But with all this hot weather, there is much for New Bernians to be thankful for. This weather has greatly assisted the crops, which will be important contributing factors in a few weeks to the trade of this city.

The people of New Berne while they may have temporaily been subjected to the inconveniences arising from such a prolonged hot spell, yet have been generally in good health.

The city has had an ample and pure water supply. The streets have been well sprinkled. The sewerage of the city has been carefully attended to, and nothing in the way of disorders from bad water and defective sewerage has threatened the city's health.

No matter if it has been hot, the people of New Berne need fear no trouble from bad sanitation. Therefore the temporary personal discomforts, caused by the hot weather of the past week, will not be without compensation.

Business has continued fairly good; crop reports all point to a good yield, and prices for the farm products all indicate that the farmer will receive a fair remuneration for his toil.

While further heat is desirable, it is to be hoped that the general average temperature may not be so persistently high, and that while the crops receive all that they may need in moisture and heat, humanity may be treated to more moderate temperatures.

Gorilla on a Street Car.

A wild hyena roaming about the north side and a gorilla loose in the down-town business district helped to make life exciting here today. The hyena escaped from Lincoln Park three days ago, and it is thought the gorilla heard of the unsuccessful attempt to recapture him and concluded to try the same thing. It has been a star attraction in one of the dime museums, and when it observed that a careless attendant had left the cage door unfastened the captive quietly slipped out, climbed through a window and clambered down to the sidewalk. Passers-by scattered when the ugly looking brute appeared, but it paid little attention to them. Some newsboys, however, got on its trail, and the gorilla darted out in the street and boarded a cable car, to the consternation of the passengers at the sight of the hairy curio, which is about four feet high. The car started but the passengers, especially women, began to jump from both sides. The animal climbed up a post ank in seeking another perch seized the bell cord, stopping the cars. Then the museum attendants, having discovered the flight of the animal, surrounded it, dragged it down and carried it back to its cage. —Chicago Times-Herald.

FACE HUMORS

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CRAVEN'S 'MARE'S NEST.'

Says Attorney General Walser on Commissioners Action

What Superintendent of Public Instruction Must Do. State Treasurer and Auditor to Show Cause on Oyster Land Entry Tax.

Special to Journal.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 2. State Superintendent of public Instruction today asked the Attorney General what was his duty in regard to the action of Craven County commissioners.

The following is the Attorney General's reply and will be put in to effect:

"It is the duty of the Superintendent of Public Instruction by mandamus to compel the board of commissioners to discharge their duties, and where there is not time to do this, to indict and punish them for such malfeasance."

The Attorney General tells me he finds the law regularly passed both branches of the legislature.

It was in each, read three times on three different days, with roll calls on 2nd and 3rd readings.

He says the "mare's nest" which was discovered at New Berne, was Major Grants bill to stimulate rural taxation.

The State Treasurer and State Auditor are summoned to appear before Judge Robinson here July 12th to show cause why they should not pay the Oyster Land Entry claims.

The claims aggregate some six thousand dollars, which the Treasurer refused to pay.

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WHAT THE EDITORS SAY.

Revival in Sight.

The almost uninterrupted advance in stocks for the past five or six weeks is too marked to be other than the strongest kind of evidence that Wall street believes that the tide has changed in the business world and that no credence should be placed in the reports that a trade revival is not actually in progress.—Baltimore News.

Work Brings Prosperity.

Now the prosperity of this city is not dependent on Congress any more than a man's success in business is dependent on the phases of the moon. We need to pull off coats and go to work. That makes prosperity. The farmers about here have done their share. They have grown splendid crops. They did not grow them by sitting at ease to wait for prosperity. They worked hard, early and late, till they persuaded prosperity to come to them.—Norfolk Dispatch.

Always Howling.

We heard the following dialogue on Hay street yesterday morning:

"Jones, the great gold bug has gone crazy."

"Why? What's the matter?"

"He has been trying to solve mathematically the difference between the Cleveland panic and the McKinley boom."—Fayetteville Observer.

Some Good in England.

One great advantage which English municipal government has over ours, is that in England it is so high an honor to be a councilman or an alderman, that the best men are not only willing to serve, but are glad to do so, and there no stigma of corruption, as far as we know, has ever been affixed upon any act of municipal Legislation.—Richmond Times.

A Kingsbury Nightmare.

In a little over one hundred years this country has become so rotten it is already honey-combed and decay has set in. If it declines in the next eighty years as it has in the last twenty-five it will be more absolutely corrupt than Rome was in its "decline and fall," for particulars of which read the greatest of all histories.—Wilmington Messenger.

We May Jubilate.

It will be seen from these figures that Uncle Sam has not been asleep during all these years, and some of these days during all these years, and some of these days it may be in order to give him a jubilee also.—Norfolk Landmark.

Are You American?

During the next six months we shall see how far those people who live in this country but are Anti-American throughout are willing to go in an effort to defeat a distinctly national end. This end is the acquisition by this government of the Hawaiian islands. The treaty goes over until December, but the government is committed through the signature of the Secretary of State and the formal approval of the President, and the project is indorsed by the great majority of the American people. But those who oppose it are preparing for a fight, and, appropriately enough, will find themselves in league with, and under the leadership of a foreign country, Japan, against their own. —Washington Star.

The Mission of Disappointment.

[Contributed]

Disappointment is the lot of men almost from the cradle, and quite to the grave. The child scarcely escapes from the bondage of the nursery ere he falls under its dark ban. Too young to be conscious of hope, he joys simply in possession, and so the failure to possess produces a feeling of unrest in his bosom which casts its shadow upon his sunny brow, and for the time, athwart his pathway.

As we grow older we come to realize that these lights and shadows are mainly the result of the accomplishment or disappointment of hopes, and the more radiant the hope the deeper the shadow of disappointment. Stand beneath the electric light at the street corner, and because of its brilliancy, does not your shadow assume almost the blackness of Egyptian darkness? Even so the rainbow tinted dreams of youth,—of wealth, or fame, or love,—if unfulfilled, bring the most poignant disappointment, while with the setting of a hope beneath the church and willows, the sun goes down at noon.

"Hope springs eternal in the human breast," as sings the poet; it is the one passion which survives all the rest. Even after the illusions of youth are dispelled, and the ambitions of meridian manhood cease to dominate the mind, we are haunted by a vague sense of want which we would scarcely dignify with the name of hope. As we moderate our desires, we modify our modes of expression. We do not say, 'I hope,' or 'I expect,' as formerly, but the unmended phrase is, 'I want,' or 'I would like.' The 'want' may be perfectly legitimate and reasonable, —so innocent and even laudable that the severest casuist can detect no evil in the motive or its attainment —and to human ken seem absolutely tangible, but upon this, too, falls the blight of disappointment. Sometimes because of our changed conditions, or mayhap, because we have drifted so far from our former selves, even its realization does not yield the anticipated pleasure, so that we are disappointed in, rather than of its fruition.

If we read our lives in the light of Inspired Revelation these disappointments are not the result of a blind chance.

"There's a Divinity that shapes our ends,
Rough-hew them how we will."

We speak of the allotments of Providence, but do we realize that our disappointments are His appointments—part and parcel of the process of 'shaping' our 'rough-hewn' masonry to the perfect design of the Divine Architect? We recognize the truth that their mission, or sending, implies a power back of the mission, in whom is vested the authority to send, but to comprehend their mission in this wider sense,—the object to be accomplished, may never be ours in our present sinful state. "Now we see in a mirror obscurely," but in the Great Hereafter, that blest,

"Sometime when all life's lessons have been learned,
And sun and stars forevermore have set,
The things which our weak judgments here have spurned,
The things o'er which we grieved with lashes wet,
Will flash before us out of life's dark night,
As stars shine most in deeper tints of blue,
And we shall see how all God's plans were right,
And how what seemed reproof was love most true."

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Herding Sheep Good for Consumptives

Another class of men who watch sheep are those who do it for their health. Dozens of men claim to have been cured of consumption simply by putting in several months at watching sheep. The work gives what is most required in the deadly disease—plenty of fresh air, moderate exercise, and employment that is not wearing on the brain, but it still enough to keep it occupied and prevent nervousness. Of course, if a man has plenty of money, he can get these things without herding sheep, but there are many men who need them badly who have no money, and all who have taken advantage of this knowledge have surely been benefited. A number of men who have taken up sheep herding have become so fascinated with it that they have stuck to it long after they got over the trouble.—Providence Journal.

TIRED OF TARIFF.

Interesting Episodes in Its Discussion.

Tillman's Amendment Imposing Tax on Incoming Immigrants. New Counterfeit. Patent Attorneys Disbarred. State Dept. Incident.

JOURNAL BUREAU,
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 2.

The last days of the tariff debate in the Senate were disagreeably warm and it was apparent that the Senators were quite as tired of it as the public was. Still there were some more or less interesting episodes between talk and votes upon such absorbing topics as the duty on bleaching powder. Among them was the spirited colloquy between Senators Tillman and Chandler, started by the former in a speech in favor of his tariff amendment imposing a head tax of $100 upon all immigrants. It was tit for tat between these very sharped tongued gentlemen for awhile, while bursts of laughter from the other Senators indicated that the wrangle was furnishing amusement, if not wisdom, for its hearers. When Mr. Chandler in mock alarm expressed his fear of Mr. Tillman that gentleman assured him that without his pitchfork he was entirely harmless. Mr. Tillman made some uncomplimentary allusions to ex-President Cleveland for his veto of the Immigration bill. Another break in the dull monotony was the two-hour speech of Senator Turpie in favor of his tariff amendment to tax all inheritances over $5,000. Mr. Turpie has one of the most picturesque vocabularys in the Senate and he drew on it heavily in his speech. He told the Republicans that the tariff bill would not furnish the money needed by the government, and closed by declaring that there was no more right in abandoning the free coinage of silver than there would be in abandoning the free coinage of gold.

Senator Tillman's tariff amendment imposing a tax of $100 each on immigrants and making it a misdemeanor for any alien who does not intend becoming a citizens to enter the United States for the purpose of engaging in any mechanical trade or manual labor, until silver is admitted to our mints for coinage on the same conditions with gold and at a ratio of 16 to 1, received just three votes one from a Populist, Butler, one from a Democrat, Tillman, one from a Republican, Quay. Forty-eight votes were cast against it.

Secret service officials of the Treasury have discovered that the new $5 silver certificate has been counterfeited by the photo-lithographic process. The only counterfeit yet secured by the officials is a very bad one, not likely to deceive anybody even fairly expert in handling money. Much of the printing is blurred and indistinct, and the green is lighter than that on the genuine certificate. Handlers of these notes will lose nothing by observing them closely.

The crooked patent attorneys are finding that their road has become a rocky one, and are beginning to fall by the wayside. Ever since he became Commissioner of Patents, Hon. Benjamin Butterworth has been gathering the evidence that would enable him to protect the poor inventors from the alluring schemes of those who have been conducting a business little better than highway robbery under the protection of and at the expense of the United States government and of an honorable profession. Commissioner Butterworth has lately disbarred eight patent attorneys from practice before the U. S. Patent office for dishonorable practices, and has charged John Wedderburn & Co., of Washington, with numerous fraudulent practices and ordered them to show cause why they should not be disbarred.

If audacity will help her cause any the ex-Queen of Hawaii, who has been in Washington for some months, can furnish it in unlimited quantity. This week she was at the Capitol "carding" individual Senators out and making personal appeals to them to vote against the ratification of the treaty for the annexation of Hawaii. In view of all the circumstances there have been few more audacious things publicly done in Washington than this lobbying of this dusky ex-queen against annexation.

It is doubtful whether there is a single Senator who really believes that the amendment to the tariff bill prepared by the majority of the Finance Committee and labeled "anti-trust," will actually result in hurting a single trust. The amendment is nothing more nor less than a sop to public opinion, which thinks that Congress ought to be able to help the people against the trusts, just as the anti-trust laws now on the statute books were in their time. There may in time be some effective law against trusts, but it will not be a part of the Dingley tariff bill.

An incident small in itself has caused a lot of talk in Washington. It is customary after a new U. S. minister has been sworn in at the State Department for him to send his card to the minister to the United States of the country to which he is accredited. This week Gen. Woodford, the new minister to Spain was sworn in, and instead of sending his card to Senor De Lome, the Spanish minister, Gen. Woodford made a personal call upon the Spaniard. He was driven from the State Department to the Spanish legislation in President McKinley's carriage, and it is said the call was made at the Presidents request. The friends of Cuba do not like it at all.

STILL GRANTING PARDONS.

Bond of State Public Printers Submitted. Park Hotel Management. Weather Changes. Steamship Men to Appear Before R. R. Commission.

JOURNAL BUREAU,
RALEIGH, N. C., July 2.

Governor Russell is still granting pardons. Yesterday he granted a pardon to LaFayette Summerlin of Edgecombe for barn burning. The petition for pardon was signed by the leading men of the county. The prisoner had already served 11 years of his term.

Mr. J. C. Brown, the new proprietor of the Park Hotel has retained Mr. R. F. Crawford and J. L. Tucker, but Mr. F. T. Brown and Mr. R. E. Shorevill go elsewhere.

The bond of the new public printers was yesterday submitted the counsel of State for approval. It is for $75,000 and is given in the American Bonding and Surety Company.

The trouble with the accounts of the Stewart Bros. the former State printers are by no means settled. There is a dispute in the Agricultural Department work involving some $2,000 or $3,000.

Yesterday there came up a sudden thunder storm and hard blow, and the thermometer dropt from 96 to 72, but with a sudden rise it ran up to 86 with in a few moments after the drop.

The R. R. Commission has issued notices to all railway steamboat lines etc., to appear here July 19 to show why their rate of assessment may not be taxed. Gov. Russell, Josephus Daniels, Judge Walter Clark and others are invited to be present, to address the meeting.

Trip Through Hyde County.

Professors T. R. Foust and T. D. Warren recently returned from Hyde county, where they had been working in the interest of the New Berne Academy. Soon after their return the JOURNAL interviewed them through its reporter.

"How did you get to Hyde and how long were you on the way?" asked the reporter.

"We went on a sail boat to Swan Quarter, and it took us just eight hours to make the trip. Leaving New Berne at eleven o'clock, Saturday night, we ate breakfast at Swan Quarter by eight o'clock Sunday morning."

"How did you find the roads for bicycling?"

"Splendid, we made the trip over the county on our wheels, and found the roads everywhere in Hyde just as good as the shell roads in New Berne."

"What did you think of the climate down there?"

"There is a fine breeze, and most of the county being near the Sound, there is a flavor of salt in the air making it as bracing as the seashore at Morehead."

How about the farming land of which we all have heard so much?

"It is a black peaty soil, and in a point of fertility even surpassed our expectations. The crops are somewhat backward due to the cold spring, but since the warm weather has set in they have improved greatly, and we could predict a good yield. The oat crop is very fine this year. One man told us that he had oats that will yield 90 bushels per acre. Their principal crops are, corn, oats and rice."

What was your impression of the people?

"We have never met more hospitable people. Although we were perfect strangers, we were cordially received and nicely entertained everywhere we went. It was a source of regret that we could not accept all the urgent invitations to spend the night or take dinner which were so freely tendered us.

The majority of the people are well-to-do farmers. There is not the disposition to move to town which is so prevalent in those places not blessed with so productive a soil."

"How did you find them on the school question?"

"They are very much interested in school-work, and are inclined to patronize us.

We set influences to work which, we think, will be productive of good results; and bring us pupils to help in building up the New Berne Academy.

We were gratified at the great interest manifested and specially that they seemed desirous of choosing New Berne as the place likely to suit them best.

Our object in visiting Hyde was to let the people know what we have in New Berne; and viewed from this standpoint we feel that our trip was a success."

It is very gratifying to the JOURNAL, that those gentlemen are taking so great an interest in turning the attention of the people in the surrounding counties to the New Berne schools

We have always taken a deep interest in whatever tended to build up our town in any direction, and one of the principal means of development in a town is a system of efficient schools.

Experiment Station Reports.

The JOURNAL acknowledges the receipt of the N. C. Agricultural Experiment Station Reports, during 1896.

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