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DECEPTIVE VOLUNTARY PUBLICITY.

The Chattanooga Tradesman makes a strong point when it takes issue with the New York Commercial, in the latter's placing so much value on the voluntary statements made public of the business of the great corporations, notably the United States Steel Trust.

On this subject the Tradesman says:

That none of the statements of condition issued by great corporations are complete, not one. They do not answer to any intelligent demand for publicity of their capitalization and operations. The omission of a single fundamental fact vitiates and renders comparatively worthless the very fairest of these reports. They do not state the actual capital paid in. Without that fact as a basis the entire report is misleading. Take the case of the steel corporation. Its reports proceed on the assumption that every dollar of \$1,380,000,000 of stocks and bonds issued as capital represents actual investment. This when the world knows that there is an enormous amount of "water" in these issues. Experts do not know how much water and how much is really; but competent judges say that for one-half of the sum stated the entire properties of the corporation can be liquidated at the most modern and improved lines and supplied with working capital. Others say the investment, including working capital, represents not more than \$550,000,000, all the rest of the colossal pile being imaginary. If we may use such a word. This is rank dishonesty at the basis, forming the foundation of the statement; and it inevitably follows that the superstructure is honeycombed with fraud.

But no business man or sensible person is taken in by these "voluntary" public exhibits, no matter how much or who may parade such showings as being in the interest of better commercial integrity.

Every National bank statement shows positively the amount of stock paid in, and so in the great corporations, what stock has been paid in is the basis for the reader to judge what the corporation is doing when looking over the voluntary statements given out for the public.

This kind of voluntary publicity is about on a par with the line of argument that some of these great manufacturing corporations are "infant industries" and need protection against foreign sellers, at the same time selling their goods more cheaply abroad than in the home market.

If it is to be any voluntary publicity, it should, at least be honest, which would give it a certain and definite value to the public which these statements do not now possess.

AS TO STATE CONVENTIONS.

At the beginning of this another year with its political gatherings, it looks as if political conventions would easily fall into Raleigh's lap, not because that city is better prepared with accommodations, but through lack of interest in other places, which could easily secure these conventions, if an effort was made.

That these conventions mean good money for the city in which they are held there can be no question, and why Greensboro does not go in and secure the conventions, by doing a little local work, seems strange, for never was there a more opportune time for Greensboro to secure the conventions.

Raleigh, which a month ago put up the old time bluff of "going to build" an auditorium, has gone out of the promoting line again, now that outside competitors have withdrawn.

The Raleigh Times on the auditorium matter says:

What is Raleigh doing now about the auditorium? Some of the stockholders are waiting their money back and unless the stockholders do something it would be proper to return the \$8,000 collected, though of course this would only be done by the stockholders themselves. However, we trust that this course will not be taken, because we believe that an early response in the state for Raleigh and that the auditorium will be built. The united efforts of all citizens should promote the enterprise in every way possible. Raleigh must decide one of two things, either provide a proper place for conventions or let them go elsewhere. The tone of the State press clearly shows that Raleigh cannot expect to hold the conventions unless different arrangements are made.

With no improvement at Raleigh, and

no outside city trying for the convention business, those who must attend, may expect to find the old order of personal discomfort awaiting them.

SOME OF THE INDUSTRIAL COMBINATIONS.

The average reader of current industrial events has no doubt some very large figures in mind, when thinking over the number of industrial combinations formed, the past few years in this country.

The Census Bureau has issued a bulletin giving interesting information on matter, which shows that up to June 1st, 1900, 188 of these combinations were formed.

"The 183 consolidations of which the facts are given," says the New York Times, "represent the merger of 2,029 independent plants, and as reorganized were capitalized for \$1,433,804,990. They were managed by 24,885, who were paid salaries to the amount of \$32,635,628, an average of somewhat less than \$1,500 per year. They employed 399,192 wage earners, whose total wages were \$194,584,710, an average of a little over \$480 per annum. The value of the products of all the industrial combinations during the census year is given as \$1,661,295,364. This is a gross value, and not net, or true value."

It is well to remember that the above does not include any of the industrial combinations engaged in the production and distribution of gas and electric currents, and it is also well to remember that many very large combines have been made since the Bureau compiled its figures.

An interesting item is the average yearly amount paid salaries officers, and that paid the wage earners.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The Vote Direct.

Washington, Jan. 21.—The House Committee on the Election of President and Vice President today agreed to favorably report a joint resolution containing an amendment to the constitution providing for the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people.

Beat Out for an Increase of His Pension.

A Mexican war veteran and prominent editor writes: "Seeing the advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, I am reminded that as a soldier in Mexico in '47 and '48 I contracted Mexican diarrhoea and this remedy has kept me from getting an increase in my pension for on every renewal a dose of it restores me." It is unequalled as a quick cure for diarrhoea and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by F. S. Duffy & Co.

To Oust a Professor.

Chicago, Jan. 21.—A demand for the dismissal of Prof. Chas. W. Pearson from the faculty of the Northwestern University because of his attack upon the Bible has been made by two trustees of the institution.

Finds Way to Live Long.

The startling announcement of a Discovery that will surely lengthen life is made by editor O. H. Downey, of Chubbuck, Ind., "I wish to state," he writes "that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is the most infallible remedy that I have ever known for Coughs, Colds and Grip. It is invaluable to people with weak lungs. Having this wonderful medicine no one need dread Pneumonia or Consumption. Its relief is instant and cure certain." O. H. Downey guarantees every 50c and \$1.00 bottle, and gives trial bottles free.

Mrs. Nation Chops off a Toe.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 19.—While admiring a hatchet just received by express from a friend, Mrs. Carrie Nation dropped the implement, cutting off the end of her right big toe.

Dr. Bull's Pills for Liver Ills.

One pill a dose. Box, 50 pills, 10 cts. Cure Constipation, Liver Troubles, Biliousness, Impure Blood, Dyspepsia, Female Complaints, Stomach and Bowel Disorders. Dr. Bull's Pills never gripe.

Crocker Going Abroad.

New York, Jan. 21.—Richard Crocker is to sail for England at 10 o'clock tomorrow on the steamer Philadelphia. He attended a dinner given by the honorary staff of the first battery tonight, at which he made a farewell address, declaring that he has retired from politics forever.

Heads Should Never Ache.

Never endure this trouble. Use at once the remedy that stopped it for Mrs. N. A. Webster, of Winnie, Va., she writes "Dr. King's New Life Pills wholly cured me of sick headaches I had suffered from for two years." Cure Headache, Constipation, Biliousness. 25c. at C. D. Bradham's drug store.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat.

This preparation contains all of the digestants and digesta all kinds of food. It gives instant relief and never fails to cure. It allows you to eat all the food you want. The most sensitive stomachs can take it. By its use many thousands of dyspeptics have been cured after everything else failed. It prevents formation of gas on the stomach, relieving all distress after eating. Dieting unnecessary. Pleasant to take.

It can't help but do you good

Prepared only by E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago. The 51c bottle contains 3 1/2 times the 15c. size.

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Brigands Agree on Ransom.

Soda, Jan. 19.—The brigands who have held Miss Stone and Mrs. Talika prisoners for 20 weeks have finally accepted in writing the conditions for the release of their captives. It is understood that Rev. Dr. Poet has \$61,000 in Turkish gold to hand over to the brigands in exchange for the liberating of the captives.

Salvation Oil the Best Liniment.

Price, 15 cts.; large bottle 25 cts. Great relief on earth for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Soreness, Sprains, Backache, Stiffness, Cuts, Bruises, Wounds, Swellings, Burns and Frost Bites. Salvation Oil kills all pain.

Giving Back the Cash.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 21.—The Government's check for \$376,000, representing money captured by marines at Tientsin, was signed by the President today and sent to Minister Wu for transmission to China.

New Century Comfort.

Millions are daily finding a world of comfort in Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It kills pain from Burns, Scalds, Cuts, Bruises, contusions, Ulcers, and Fever Sores; cures Eruptions, Salt Rheum, Boils and Felons; removes Corns and Warts. Best Pile cure on earth. Only 25c. at C. D. Bradham's drug store.

Senator Bradley's Eyesight.

Baltimore, Jan. 21.—Senator Money, who has been losing his sight for the last two years, owing to atrophy of the optic nerve, declares that the sight of one eye has been entirely restored and the other improved by the treatment of the specialist.

"Life Renewer" For Ladies.

Olivia Peterson, of Coldwater, Mich., writes: "I had not been able to sit up a half day at a time for thirteen years until I used the Mystic Life Renewer. It has cured me of nervous troubles, headache and a very bad stomach. It has helped me in so many ways, and cured me of afflictions that the doctors said could not be cured. The blessed Life Renewer has done more for me than all the Patent Medicines, Doctors and Christian Science treatments combined. It is the most wonderful medicine I ever saw." Sold by T. A. Henry, Druggist, New Bern.

How Blood Travels.

Blood travels from the heart through the arteries ordinarily at the rate of about twelve inches per second. Its speed through the capillaries is at the rate of three one-hundredths of an inch per second.

Tea Seeds.

Tea seeds resemble small hazel nuts. They are sown in beds to grow thickly together like cabbages.

South African Colonists.

London, Jan. 21.—At the close of the war, the British Government contemplated offering special encouragement and facilities for emigration to South Africa on a large scale.

The Secret for Long Life.

Consists in keeping all the main organs of the body in healthy, regular action, and in quickly destroying deadly disease germs. Electric Bitters regulate Stomach, Liver and Kidneys, purify the blood, and give a splendid appetite. They work wonders in curing Kidney Troubles, Female Complaints, Nervous Diseases, Constipation, Dyspepsia, and Malaria. Vigorous health and strength always follow their use. Only 50c. guaranteed by C. D. Bradham, druggist.

Sterilizing Milk.

One way of sterilizing milk is to place the bottle or can containing it in a vessel of water on the fire and allowing it to remain there until it reaches 180 degrees F. and keeping it at this temperature for a half hour before setting it aside to cool.

Milk in China.

The Chinese have the idea that milk revives the youthful powers and that it has special virtue as winter food for old people.

A Prominent Woman Speaks.

Prof. Rosa Tyler, of Chicago, Vice-President Illinois Woman's Alliance, in speaking of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, says: "I suffered with a severe cold this winter which threatened to run into pneumonia. I tried different remedies but I seemed to grow worse and the medicine upset my stomach. A friend advised me to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and I found it was pleasant to take and it relieved me at once. I am now entirely recovered, saved a doctor's bill, time and suffering, and I will never be without this splendid medicine again." For sale by F. S. Duffy & Co.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought
Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

POLLOCKSVILLE.

Tobacco Acreage. Store Enlarged. Public School. The Railroad Bonds Question.

Jan. 21.—The very fine weather we are having since the approach of 1902 has got a move on the farmers.

There will be more tobacco planted in Jones this year than ever before, especially in this section.

We are very sorry to lose one of our most prominent citizens and farmers of this place who has given up farming, and moved away.

Mr. J. H. Barrus is one of our big hostlers, he is building a very large livery, feed and exchange stables here. Mr. T. H. Bell has moved in his store the red front, on the corner, where he can be found now, he is enlarging by adding 35 feet in length to the store.

Dr. S. E. Koonce and J. B. Bender have been doing some fine shooting this season, they generally bag a big string of partridges every time they go hunting. The Dr. has the best dog in the State, "I Specs."

Miss Bessie Holland who has been living in Western North Carolina for the last two years, has come to live among us again, we are glad to say.

Mr. C. H. Holland of the North Carolina Hustler, has located at this place, where he can be found ready to serve his patrons at any time in many ways.

The public school opened here last Monday the 20th, with 21 scholars, Miss Annie Rhodes is the teacher, she comes highly recommended, having been an assistant teacher in the Trenton high school and a graduate of Greensboro College.

Mrs. Jim Koonce and Miss Lillie Koonce are visiting at Dr. Koonce's in this place.

Dr. J. B. Bender left this week for St. Louis, where he goes to do some dental work.

Miss Annie Tolson of New Bern was visiting friends and relatives in this place this week.

We have one of the best and most thorough markets here to be found in any town, run under the skillful management of uncle Sam, (Mr. Samuel Hudson.)

We have no sickness in this place at this time nor haven't had a case this year, for health, intellect, morality and goodlooking people, we have no equal, Trenton not excepted.

Wellington Tecumseh is very badly off when he says the people of Jones county will vote fifty thousand dollars for any railroad. They have about as much tax to pay now as they want, 'tis an easy matter to talk and vote but it takes cool cash to pay tax and we have found that out.

There seems beyond a doubt there is oil near this place. On the farm of Mr. W. W. Freeman five miles from here is a well which produces an oily skin that has the smell of kerosene oil. I think this is a matter worth investigating. Mr. Freeman is a man of limited means and unable to make the investigation. Don't forget that J. B. Bender will take your subscriptions for the New Bern Journal, Atlanta Constitution, Washington Post, New York Tribune and the Wilmington Messenger, call on him at the postoffice at Pollocksville, N. C., or any other place he may be found, he will serve you.

The Monument Fund.

Special to Journal.

Raleigh, Jan. 21.—James Webb of Hillsboro today sent to treasurer Joseph G. Brown of the Sir Walter Raleigh monument fund \$48.47 being his gift of one cent for each of 4847 school children in Orange county.

Doing the Right Thing.

The trouble begins with a tickling in the throat and a nagging little cough. Soreness in the chest follows and the patient wonders if he is going to have an all winter cold. Probably, if he does the wrong thing or nothing. Certainly not if he uses Perry Davis' Painkiller, the staunch old remedy that cures a cold in twenty-four hours. There is but one Painkiller, Perry Davis'.

An Acre of Bananas.

An acre of bananas will support twenty-five times as many persons as an acre of wheat; a thousand feet of land growing bananas will produce 4,000 pounds of nutritious substance; the same space devoted to wheat or potatoes will produce only thirty-three pounds of wheat or ninety-nine pounds of potatoes.

Radium.

Bequerel finds that radium rays destroy the germinating power of seeds.

Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup for

Teething Babies. Price, 10 cts. Cures Wind-Colic, Diarrhoea, Dysentery, Griping Pains, Sour Stomach, Fever, Cholera Infantum. Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup promotes the digestion and soothes the baby.

Introspection.

"Perhaps you wrong me," said Senator Sorghum mildly, "when you call me a practical politician."

"But you take a very businesslike view of affairs."

"Exactly. I have certain political ideals, but I don't devote too much time to them. I am a theoretical politician and a practical business man."—Washington Star.

Child Worth Millions.

"My child is worth millions to me," says Mrs. Mary Bird of Harrisburg, Pa., "yet I would have lost her by croup had I not purchased a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure. 'One Minute Cough Cure' is sure cure for coughs, croup and throat and lung troubles. An absolute safe cough cure which acts immediately. The youngest child can take it with entire safety. The little ones like the taste and remember how often it helped them. Every family should have a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure handy. At this season especially it may be needed suddenly." F. S. Duffy.

RALEIGH.

Republicans Are Intensely Disturbed Over The Appointments.

Senator Fritchard the Power That Won. New Resort Hotel. Rumor of Aycock's Candidacy. A Heavy Rain.

RALEIGH, January 21.—The disgust of the Republicans here at the appointment of Keith as collector of customs at Wilmington and of Harry Skinner as United States district attorney is too deep for words. They declare they cannot see what benefit to their party there can be in the appointment of two populists who have no influence in any party, and they say further it is a fatal blow to the much desired rehabilitation of the Republican party in North Carolina.

At the same time the Republicans here were afraid to appeal from Senator Fritchard to the President in the district attorneyship matter. One of them said to me, "I went as far as Senator Fritchard and there I stopped. You see Bernard really stopped too. He would have rather had Skinner appointed than any of his other opponents, because he considered him the weakest of them all."

Much rain fell today. It was not specially needed, except perhaps by small grain, of which the stand is poor.

Thus far there is but poor success in securing funds for the re-establishment of a tobacco market here.

There is now no doubt that the Raleigh and Cape Fear railway will be extended into Harriet county.

The title to the Fuquay Springs property, consisting entirely of lands at last made clear and work will begin at once to make it a resort. A company will build a large hotel, and the railway will be built so as to go in a few yards of the spring.

In some way the rumor is again going the rounds that Governor Aycock will be a candidate for the Senatorship. Last April he told your correspondent, with his habitual frankness, that he was no candidate and would not be one, that his desire was to serve his full term as Governor and during it to do his utmost for the good of his State.

C. L. Thomas S. Kenan is preparing an article on the federal prison at Johnston's Island, during the civil war. It will be illustrated by a sketch made by his niece, a Virginian, and will appear in the 5th volume of the North Carolina Regimental Histories.

Reduction of the War Tax.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—The Republican members of the ways and means committee today decided to begin consideration of the bill reducing war revenue taxes and after a conference attended by all the Republican members of the committee, Chairman Payne gave out a statement saying:

"The Republican members of the committee on ways and means met today and decided to have a hearing before the full committee on Monday, 27th inst., on the question respecting the duty on tea and the war revenue taxes upon beer. There will be no further hearings."

The desire of the beer interests is to take off 60 cents from the \$1.60 per barrel now levied on beer, thus bringing the rate to \$1, where it stood prior to the Spanish war. The total reduction in revenues on this item would be \$24,000,000. The reduction on tea would aggregate about \$8,000,000.

Daniel R. Goodloe Dead.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Word has just been received here of the death Saturday, in North Carolina, of Daniel R. Goodloe, in the 89th year of his age. Mr. Goodloe passed the greater portion of his life in Washington, where he served for many years as correspondent of New York newspapers. He was also the author of valuable literary works, including those of a historical character. He was marshal of the district of North Carolina during reconstruction days.

STATE LINES.

Of the 110 counties in Kentucky eighty-four receive more money from the state than they pay into the treasury.

Last year Missouri produced more manufactured tobacco than any other state in the Union, over 78,000,000 pounds passing through its factories. Kansas has a compulsory school law, but the state superintendent of public instruction asserts that of the 400,000 children of school age in the state 120,000 do not attend school.

Big Rebel Command Gives Up.

Washington, Jan. 19.—General Chaffee reports the surrender of 365 insurgents to Brigadier General James F. Wade, at Cebu, Philippine Islands, January 4. On January 15 they took the oath of allegiance.

Many Killed in Mill Explosion.

Barcelona, Jan. 19.—The boiler of a spinning mill near Maures exploded and wrecked the building. A large number of working people were buried in the debris, and many of them were killed.

Leniency in Philippines a Failure.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Gen. Bell, military commander at Batangas, reported to the War Department that the leniency toward the insurgents was a failure and he has determined to enforce vigorous war.

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ALL CASES OF DEAFNESS OR HARD HEARING ARE NOW CURABLE

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F. A. WERNER, OF BALTIMORE, SAYS:

Gentlemen:—Being entirely cured of deafness, thanks to your treatment, I will now give you a full history of my case, to be used at your discretion. About five years ago my right ear began to ring, and this kept on getting worse, until I lost my hearing in this ear entirely. I underwent a treatment for catarrh, for three months, without any success, consulted a number of physicians, among others, the most eminent ear specialist of this city, who told me that only an operation could help me, and even that only temporarily, that the head noises would then cease, but the hearing in the affected ear would be lost forever. I then saw your advertisement accidentally in a New York paper, and ordered your treatment. After I had used it only a few days according to your directions, the noises ceased, and to-day after five weeks, my hearing in the diseased ear has been entirely restored. I thank you heartily for your remedy. Very truly yours, F. A. WERNER, 720 S. Broadway, Baltimore, Md.

Your treatment does not interfere with your usual occupation. Examination and treatment at home. YOU CAN CURE YOURSELF AT HOME at a nominal cost. INTERNATIONAL AURAL CLINIC, 696 LA SALLE AVE., CHICAGO, ILL.

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in development on the ledge and a complete five stamp mill, with all other necessary machinery ready to run.

The Ozark is not a prospect, but a mine that has produced. We are placing 100,000 shares of development stock at 50c per share, capital stock 1,000,000 shares (par value \$1.00 each), fully paid and non-assessable, to further develop and put the property on a paying basis.

A property lying near the Ozark, with nowhere as good a showing and very little development, sold last week to a New York syndicate for \$800,000. The Ozark will pay dividends and be worth par inside of six months. This is the best investment for the money that has ever been offered to the investing public.

Do not lose this opportunity. It will never appear again. For further particulars, prospectus, report on mine, references, etc.,