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SPECULATION NOT GAMBLING.

The recent declarations from the Superior court Judges, as to the violation of the law involved in the trading in "futures" in the speculative markets, is not meeting with an enthusiastic endorsement by Grand Jurors, so far as there being any indictments returned for the offense committed.

In Charlotte, where Judge Neal so severely denounced trading in "futures" as gambling and called for the Grand Jury's investigation in the matter, the actual returns exhibit a paucity of result quite as startling, as the Judge's appeal for indictment of offenders.

The careful examination by the Grand Jury at Charlotte of a dozen prominent men, elicited not a clue upon which to hang an indictment.

It is not to be accepted that these gentlemen are ignorant as to trading in "futures" or that Charlotte is less given to the habit than other cities and towns in North Carolina, but it is to be presumed that these gentlemen, and they are to be found throughout the State, in every city and town, do not class this trading in "futures" as gambling, and refuse to place themselves or those so trading, in the gambling class.

Let the question be asked as to what the gentlemen know of speculation in cotton, stocks or grains, they may tell some interesting stories, and there are others in every city and town throughout the State.

From a moral point of view, it is well enough to denounce the gambling habit, but at the present time if indictments were made against every speculator in North Carolina, there would be some startling results.

But there will be no such indictments found. There are too many persons trading in "futures," not as gamblers, but as speculators, and this gambling law, if it is so interpreted by the Judges, is not so interpreted by the judges, themselves, and there will be no indictment for the offense, it not being found or proven as existing.

SUICIDE ON THE INCREASE.

A well known insurance statistician, Frederick L. Hoffman presents in the Spectator, some interesting estimates upon a rather gruesome subject, that of the increase of the suicidal tendency in this country.

According to Mr. Hoffman's figures the suicide rate to each 100,000 persons has increased during the last year, four tenths of one per cent, St. Louis leading the list with a ratio of 25.7.

Statistics presented deal with 50 cities and cover a population aggregating 14,000,000 persons. In the 50 cities enumerated 8,500 persons took their own lives last year, equaling in number, the population of a fair-sized country town.

Hoboken stands relatively second in the list of cities, with a suicide rate of 24.8, while New York, counting only the boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx, is fifth, with a ratio of 21.2.

Of the 50 cities on whose population Mr. Hoffman bases his calculations the first are St. Louis, Hoboken, Chicago, Oakland, Cal.; New York, Milwaukee, Cincinnati, Brooklyn and Boston. Fall River, Mass., has the smallest ratio—2.7.

No doubt the over strenuousness of the times, the impulse and desire to meet the every requirement of the present fast age, can account for very much of this suicidal tendency.

Falling out and behind, in business or socially, means with the great majority of persons, their retirement from further participation in the scenes which have been every thing of joy and excitement to them in their daily lives.

Some will bear the ill and discomfort which misfortune gives them, and some will strive to regain their lost position, while others prefer to end existence, preferring to accept the consequences of their act.

But while Mr. Hoffman's figures of themselves are startling, they show from a moral view an increasing laxity and disregard of the divinity of human life, and an indifference to the fact that suicide is murder, and that murder is a crime involving the most serious penalties to the guilty ones, from both the human and the divine standpoint.

SUMMER'S OVER, NOW WORK!

With the close of August, it can be said that summer is over, and the time has come for some personal endeavor on the part of every citizen, which shall mean the advancement of some interest or interests of New Bern.

With very many citizens the past summer has been one of recreation, or of very little work at home, for there has been the usual dullness of the season, which made an extra effort of no special advantage in advancing business interests.

But there has been an exception in one line of trade, that of the builders, for there has been an unusual amount of building done in this city, which has given employment to men in all lines of mechanical work.

It has been a good summer for the working man in New Bern, plenty of work and at good wages.

But in other lines of trade and commerce, there is need for a general effort on the part of every citizen, so that the Fall business shall be increased over previous years, and there may be local prosperity for every profession and trade, and every merchant may enjoy an increase of business.

There is no reason, except lack of effort, why New Bern shall not have a prosperous Fall business.

The farmers will receive high prices for their cotton, and good prices for all other farm products, except maybe tobacco.

To begin the Fall, and give material assistance to local trade, there should be the payment of all local bills, the putting into local circulation, by the part or whole payment of all accounts, of every dollar that can be secured.

Don't plead dull times, and hold money back which can pay a bill and thus put into possible service a dollar which goes along the line, will liquidate a number of accounts.

Don't plead summer dullness, any longer, and especially don't claim the bank failure as having locked up all available money, hence a continued refusal to pay bills.

Get to work and push something along which means returns. It is good times for those who will work, and now is the season to begin the work.

Catarrh Cannot be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

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Bird Superstitions.

In many parts of England there are curious superstitions about birds. The stonchack, for instance, is believed to be continually chatting with the devil one, so it is held in bad repute, and the raven commonly impersonates this sable majesty. It is ranked in the same category of evil birds. Sometimes, however, the raven's appearance, so it is held, forebodes a death.

Suicide Prevented.

The startling announcement that a preventive of suicide had been discovered will interest many. A run down system, or despondency invariably precede suicide and something has been found that will prevent that condition which makes suicide likely. At the first thought of self destruction take Electric Bitters. It being a great tonic and nerve will strengthen the nerves and build up the system. It's also a great Stomach, Liver and Kidney regulator. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by C. D. Brabham Druggist.

Forget Himself.

"This offer of your heart and hand is very sudden," said the summer girl, "but I will take it." "Ah!" gasped the swell girl goodly clerk, badly rattled, "will you take it with you or shall I send it home?" Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Potent Pill Pleasure.

The pills that are potent in their action and pleasant in effect are Dr. Williams' Little Early Risers. W. S. Philpot of Albany, Ga., says "During a bilious attack I took one. Small as it was it did me more good than calomel, blue mass or any other pills I ever took and at the same time it affected me pleasantly." Little Early Risers are certainly a good pill. Sold by F. S. Duffy.

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RUNAWAY TRAIN

On Blades Lumber Company's Road at Goose Creek.

While carrying a train load of logs on the Blades Lumber Company's Pamlico road to Goose Creek pier, on Friday the train men lost control of the train, the result being that the engine dashed against and overthrew the bumpers at the end of the pier, the engine and one carload going into the river.

There is quite a down grade on the road some hundreds of yards before the pier is reached, and the train men miscalculated the weight and force of the train, which got beyond their control, the logs on the cars also preventing the free use of the breaks.

Except the engine and one car there was no loss, the trainmen escaping injury by jumping off before the cars reached the pier.

LABOR DAY.

Governor Aycock Issues Proclamation Naming September 7th as Date.

Governor Aycock issued his official proclamation setting Monday September 7th as the date for North Carolina's Labor Day and a general holiday.

Proclamation.—Whereas, The legislature of North Carolina has appointed the first Monday in September of each year Labor Day and a general holiday, the said first Monday in September being the same day set aside by the statute of the United States and the statutes of the various States in the Union.

Now, therefore, I Charles B. Aycock, Governor of the State of North Carolina, in recognition of said legislative acts and with a view to the continuance and strengthening of the good will which exists between all the people of this State, do request all of the citizens of North Carolina to observe Monday, September 7, 1903, as a holiday, and that in every way possible, employers cooperate with employees in worthy recognition of the dignity of labor and in the becoming observance of Labor Day.

Let there be as far as possible cessation of labor throughout the State. I request that all places of business of whatever character where labor is employed shall be closed to the end that those employed may enjoy a day of rest and thanksgiving. The day ought to be observed by all people in expression of appreciation of those who toil, for upon them rests the progress, prosperity, success and happiness of the State. Let harmony exist between all employers and employees. Let us foster and strengthen that confidence between those who employ labor and those who work which is essential to the peace of the State and the best interests of all the people.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed. This 27th day of August, A. D., 1903, and in the 128th year of our Independence. By the Governor: CHARLES B. AYCOCK, P. M. PEARSALL, Private Secretary.

A Thousand Churches.

In the United States, have used the Longman & Martinez Pure Palats during the past ten months.

Every Church will be given a liberal quantity whenever they paint. Don't pay \$1.50 a gallon for linseed oil, which you do when you buy it in a sealed can with a paint label on it.

8 & 14, therefore when you want fourteen gallons of paint, buy only eight gallons of L. & M. and mix six gallons of pure linseed oil with it. It will make fourteen gallons of paint. It's done easily.

It makes the paint cost you only about \$1.20 a gallon. You probably won't need more than ten or twelve gallons of it, because the L. & M. Paint covers so much more surface than other paints.

Sales have been tens of millions of gallons; nearly two million houses painted under guarantee to repaint if not satisfactory. Samples free Sold by our Agents: Hyman Supply Co.

Her References. "I don't like these references," said the housewife. "Well, mum," returned the applicant for a position, "I didn't write 'em, so it ain't my fault. If you don't like 'em, jest you go to the people as gave 'em to me an' tell 'em so."—Chicago Post.

A Deaf-Blind.

"Pa, what is a fray?" "Why, my son, that is what a person who has never been in a fight calls it."—Puck.

Eat All You Want.

Persons troubled with indigestion or dyspepsia can eat all they want if they will take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. This remedy prepares the stomach for the reception, retention, digestion and assimilation of all of the wholesome food that may be eaten, and enables the digestive organs to transform the same into the kind of blood that gives health and strength. Sold by F. S. Duffy.

Praying an Excuse.

Little Boy—Please, Mrs. Grumpy, mother wants to know if you will lend her your wash tub. Mrs. Grumpy (gruffly)—No, I can't. The hoops are off, the bottom's out and it's full of water.—Glasgow Times.

When a Fool has Made up His Mind

the market has gone by.—Spanish Proverb.

Mrs. Mollie Allen, of South Fork, Ky., says she has prevented attacks of cholera morbus by taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets when she felt an attack coming on. Such attacks are usually caused by indigestion and these Tablets are just what is needed to cleanse the stomach and ward off the approaching attack. Attacks of bilious colic may be prevented in the same way. For sale by all Druggists.

RALEIGH

Corporations Slow in Sending Reports to State Auditor.

Land Company Chartered. Lay to Deliber Memorial Address. Applicants Examination. For Attorneys. Auditors Society Doing Good.

Raleigh, August 28.—The State today chartered the Heights Land Co. of Goldsboro, with a capital stock of \$50,000, the stockholders being Senator F. M. Blount, Congressman E. W. Fox and William T. Dorick of Goldsboro.

State Treasurer Lacy leaves tomorrow for Portsmouth, where on Sunday afternoon he will deliver a memorial address on the late F. M. Arthur, the head of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. The address will be before the Brotherhood of Portsmouth and vicinity and at their special invitation.

It is learned at the office of the State Auditor that some of the corporations are still slow in sending in their reports. They claim that this is due to the slowness of the assessors and boards of equalization, and that they cannot obtain from the latter the valuation of their real and personal property in order to deduct the amount of this from the capital stock. The delay is giving the auditor a good deal of trouble.

Fifteen sheriffs have yet failed to make total settlement of their State taxes. All of these except two or three have made partial payments. The Supreme Court will on Monday examine applicants for license as attorneys. Up to this date thirty-eight of these have registered. On Tuesday the first district appeals will be called. There are no State cases on the docket from this district.

It is expected that the attendance at the Agricultural and Mechanical College at the opening, and in fact during all of the coming term will break the record. There are now seven branches of the North Carolina Audubon society. The one here is actively at work against violators of the game laws. Today a warrant was issued for a man who a few days ago killed a wild turkey. The warrant is issued upon affidavit of the county game warden.

The State superintendent has issued a complete list of the county superintendents of education and also those of city and town graded schools. Of the latter there are now no less than 82. The graded school system is certainly growing in North Carolina.

Save the Children.

Ninety-nine of every one hundred diseases that children have are due to disorders of the stomach, and these disorders are all caused by indigestion. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is just as good for children as it is for adults. Children thrive on it. It keeps their little stomachs sweet and encourages their growth and development. Mrs. Henry Carter, 702 Central St., Nashville, Tenn., says: "My little boy is now three years old and has been suffering from indigestion ever since he was born. I have had the best doctors in Nashville, but failed to do him any good. After using one bottle of Kodol he is a well baby. I recommend it to all sufferers." Kodol digests what you eat and makes the stomach sweet. Sold by F. S. Duffy.

He Knows Sir Walter Scott. In a booklet called "Sir Walter Scott and His Country," published in Edinburgh the author quotes the reminiscence from an old man he met who had known the romancer: "Aye," he minded Sir Walter fine. "I got him driving out in his carriage and pair, wi' Tom Furdie on the box seat. He had on a shepherd's tartan plaid and a gleamery cap, and his black ribbons hanging down the back. I mind his dog too—made, he said it—and an awfu' woot he made over the beast. But he was an pleasant man as you could speak to, though he wadna thought much of an a pleaser when they made his shairm of him. In his his time he was a good man. On one, ye'll see, he's the best man I ever knew."

Violent Attack of Diarrhoea Cured by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and Perhaps a Life Saved. "A short time ago I was taken with a violent attack of diarrhoea and believe I would have died if I had not gotten relief," says John J. Patton, a leading citizen of Fenton, Ala. "A friend recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I bought a twenty-five cent bottle and after taking three doses of it was entirely cured. I consider it the best remedy in the world for bowel complaints. For sale by all Druggists.

The Return Conductor. Smart Passenger—Here, conductor, is my fare. I had no desire to beat the company, but I thought I would just see if I could fool you by getting busy with this company.

End of Better Deal. "Two physicians had a long and stubborn fight with an abscess on my right lung," writes J. F. Hughes of Da Roca, Ga., "and gave me up. Everybody thought my time had come. As a last resort I tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. The benefit I received was striking and I was on my feet in a few days. Now I've entirely regained my health." It cures all Coughs, Colds, and Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed by C. D. Brabham Drug Store. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. For sale by all Druggists.

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