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HUMILIATING PHASES OF THE RECEIVERSHIP.

Those newspapers and persons taking such an active interest, and giving such eager support to the receivership of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad, fall to take full recognition of the humiliating phases of the situation, as it applies to Governor Aycock and the officials of the road, as well as its employees.

The first phase is the complete overruling of the Governor's authority through the will of a district judge, upon the statement of an outside resident of the State.

The Governor, the President of the road, and the Board of Directors, are then subjected to the harshest criticism and are held up to public obloquy, as men who have mismanaged their public trust, and their conduct as officials is held in such public suspicion as to provoke unjust remarks and even abuse.

A public officer of the road, a gentleman who has honorably held and faithfully maintained his duties for forty years, is thrust out of his office without a day's notice.

Mechanics and laborers are turned from their jobs on a few hours notice. The station agents along the road are set down as defaulters, without specification, and other notices of irregularities are sent out to the public press, impugning the character of men connected with the road.

Here is discredit brought upon the Governor of the State, the President of the State's railroad, the Directors of the road, and a number of employees of the road, and yet there are North Carolina newspapers and citizens who applaud the act, and urge its success, which brings this discredit upon their own home people, as if they were all guilty parties.

If Governor Aycock, President Bryan, the Directors, and the employees discharged from service were men of such reputable character, as to knowingly imperil the stability of a State property, how is it that it needed an outsider to step in and find such a rotten condition of affairs?

Not a single person in control of the affairs of the Atlantic and North Carolina has questioned the motive, which prompted the matter of a lease being made.

But these gentlemen have questioned and contested the method of securing this lease through a receivership which sought to gain its purpose by first discrediting the Governor and the entire management of the A & N C property, and placing them in a humiliating light before the people of this and other States. That this method shall prevail by which a single stockholder can overthrow the workings of a railroad, discredit those in its management, and dictate to a sovereign State what it must do, if this proceeding is to be established, there is plenty of trouble ahead for other roads and corporations.

HEARST'S PRESIDENTIAL PROCESSION.

Some time ago the Journal made editorial mention of the possibility of the advent of William B. Hearst of New York, as a candidate for the Presidential nomination at the hands of the National Democratic party in St. Louis, in July.

At that time such a possibility as Mr. Hearst being at all seriously considered as a Presidential candidate, much less a nominee, was laughed at, but today Mr. Hearst is a very lively factor, and is not merely considered by his friends for the Presidency, but decidedly feared by his political opponents. There is alarm in Democratic works over his strength, and the once-time ridicule is giving way to efforts to prove from Mr. Hearst's record that he is not the man to be regarded for such a high office as President of the United States.

This early in the gathering in of del-

egates, from Rhode Island comes the news of Hearst delegates, and it is reported that Illinois will give her delegates to the New Yorker.

In North Carolina there is active work being done for Mr. Hearst's interests while from Georgia, the Atlantic News says editorially.

"The would-be seers and prophets should make no mistake. They need not doubt that the press of the state and the people of the state are overwhelmingly for Hearst, and the sentiment is growing every day."

Here is a political condition which Democrats must face. It is not a theory but an actual fact that the Hearst Presidential procession is both moving and growing, and if it continues there will be something of serious moment for those Democrats at St. Louis, in July who do not like the Hearst grand democracy.

CERTAINLY INJURY IF NOT CONSPIRACY.

What may be termed the preliminary investigation before the courts, of Messrs. McBee and Finch, and their relationship to the alleged conspiring against North Carolina's interests in the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad property, makes a very dark showing for these gentlemen.

As certain defenders of the McBee-Finch combine now sustain their position, that it needed just such unscrupulous action as this to get this political railroad to show up its inside workings, it speaks very poorly to say the least, that the many actual stockholders of record, were dumb to existing conditions and that the attempt had to be made by gentlemen who risked imprisonment to win their point.

But the Journal's contention has never been against a legitimate lease of this property, few stockholders are opposed, but that there could be any business sense, decency or justice, in making a wreck of men's reputations, of misrepresenting actual conditions, of disturbing legitimate commercial affairs of men transacting business, whose trade would be unjustly imperilled by unsettled and changing railroad methods, against these the Journal has made every opposition, and has not been deterred by outside critics who may have been honest, but whose criticism was based upon extraneous reports.

In this receivership, which is practically a wreckers' party, the A & N C property has been injured, and will continue to be injured to the hour of its bond bids stockholders, the State and private owners, so long as the present status remains.

If there be actual conspiracy, that will be determined later, and the full penalty meted out to the offenders.

One good effect certain to the grow out this McBee-Finch attempt to force themselves into possession of property, must be better safe guards to protect legitimate and innocent stockholders against those who may have personal designs upon their property, to secure it, by means however questionable they may be. There are likely to be few more wreckers' parties in North Carolina.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury.

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FACTS ABOUT GEMS.

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UNPAID EMPLOYEES.

Of Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad Get no money yesterday

The arrest of Receiver McBee, seems to have worked a hardship upon the employees of the Atlantic & North Carolina road, as yesterday, the 15th, was payday, and under the recent orders, there being no Mr. McBee, to countersign orders, there were no orders issued upon the Treasurer of the road, and the men went without their month's pay.

This working considerable hardship, as many of the employees depend upon these wages for their sustenance, and with bills unpaid and no money in sight they felt last night, as if there was considerable wreckers' party in the situation for them.

It is to be hoped that Mr. McBee can get back from Raleigh today and do his official duty, in the matter. That such a situation could be brought about, as permitting the employees of the road being left in such a predicament, speaks what possibilities there are in a wreckers' party.

Proper Treatment of Pneumonia.

Pneumonia is too dangerous a disease for anyone to attempt to doctor himself, although he may have the proper remedies at hand. A physician should always be called. It should be borne in mind, however, that pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of the grip, and that by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the threatened attack of pneumonia may be warded off. This remedy is also used by physicians in the treatment of pneumonia with the best results. Dr. W. J. Smith, of Sanders, Ala., who is also a druggist, says of it: "I have been selling Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and prescribing it in my practice for the past six years. I use it in cases of pneumonia and have always gotten the best results." Sold by all druggists.

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Bobby's Description.

Bobby was calling with his aunt on the mother of a small boy who was somewhat bowlegged and most unmistakably pigeon-toed. It happened that Bobby had seen only straight limbed youngsters before this, though he was familiar, it seemed, with some other lills that flesh is heir to. As Bobby's aunt's friend's little boy made his initial appearance in the doorway, "Oh, auntie," exclaimed the irrepressible, "look at that funny boy what's crossed eye in both feet!"—New York Mail and Express.

The Name Witch Hazel.

The name Witch Hazel is much abused. E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago, are the inventors of the original and only genuine Witch Hazel Salve. A certain cure for Cuts, Burns, Bruises, Eczema, Tetter, Piles, etc. There are many counterfeits of this salve, some of which are dangerous, while they are all worthless. In buying Witch Hazel Salve see that the name E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago, is on the box and a cure is certain. Sold by F. B. Duff.

His Image.

Marked—with the indisputable evidence of an encounter with John Barleycorn and a hard fast, he ambled into a drug store for relief. His eyes were half closed; there was a wandering, bleeding laceration across his forehead; his nose was tilted to one side, and a gash in one cheek completed the damage.

The druggist cheerfully replied that he would fix up the caller.
"Wait a minute," said the apothecary as he reached for the gauze, the lint and the antiseptic. The badly mangled customer disconsolately sauntered about the shop, but suddenly stopped in front of one of those convex mirrors that do such queer tricks of distortion with their reflected images.

Our friend caught a glimpse of himself out of those distorted optics. With a yell of terror he tore himself loose from the scene and bolted for the door, scaring the druggist half to death.

"Come back here!" shouted the drug clerk.
"Not much!" almost shrieked the fleeing man. "I just saw myself in your looking glass, and if I don't get to a doctor I'm ruined for life!"

And he did not stop for explanations.—San Francisco Call.

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STILL CONFLICTING

But Majority Reports Favor Japanese Side.

Admiral Makaroff Said to Have Abandoned Port Arthur. Assault Continues. Correspondents Called From Ping Yang.

Syebial to Journal.
London, March 15.—Conflicting reports come from the far east today, regarding the situation at Port Arthur. It is believed at Tokio, that Admiral Makaroff has abandoned his stronghold, at Port Arthur, and is endeavoring to join the Russian Vladivostok squadron with his fleet.

It is thought Makaroff will make a dash through the Korean Straits, and when the two Russian squadrons unite they will battle with Admiral Togo.

No confirmation of the report that Port Arthur has been abandoned comes from Russian sources.

St. Petersburg dispatches state that Port Arthur will be declared in a state of siege in a week, in view of the coming large movements of ships.

Submarine boats are being sent there in sections. It is admitted that the bombardment by the Japanese fleet caused serious damage.

Dispatches from Tien Tsin say there was a short engagement at Port Arthur on Sunday, the Russian cruiser Diana receiving injuries.

Much significance is attached to the order given by the Japanese calling the correspondents back from Ping Yang to Seoul.

There is an unconfirmed report that Japanese marines occupy Dalny. The Japanese advance guard routed the Russian scouts at the headwaters of the Yalu river.

Colds Cause Pneumonia.

One of the most remarkable cases of a cold deep-seated on the lungs, causing pneumonia, is that of Mrs. Gertrude E. Fenner, Marion, Ind., who was entirely cured by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. She says: "The coughing and straining so weakened me that I ran down in weight from 148 to 92 pounds. I tried a number of remedies to no avail until I used One Minute Cough Cure. Four bottles of this wonderful remedy cured me entirely of the cough, strengthened my lungs and restored me to my normal weight, health and strength." Sold by F. B. Duff.

Military Academy Notes

Word comes from Major Carson, who left on account of ill health that he is improving rapidly.

Prof. R. O. Granberry of the Texas Business College at Abilene, Texas, has been engaged to instruct in the business department. He is very highly recommended, and doubtless will be of much value to the institution.

The increase of scholars is gratifying. There were five new names enrolled last week. Several are expected to begin school this week.

Rifles for the military drill have been received. Splendid progress is reported in this department and the cadets are showing great aptitude for the work.

Preparations for commencement are being made. The exercises will be held three days and will occur some time during the last of May.

"DO IT TO-DAY."

The time-worn injunction, "Never put off till to-morrow what you can do to-day," is now generally presented in this form: "Do it to-day!" That is the terse advice we want to give you about that hacking cough or demoralizing cold with which you have been struggling for several days, perhaps weeks. Take some reliable remedy for IT TO-DAY—and let that remedy be Dr. Ross's German Syrup, which has been in use for over thirty-five years. A few doses of it will undoubtedly relieve your cough or cold and its continued use for a few days will cure you completely. No matter how deep-seated your cough, even if dread consumption has attacked your lungs, German Syrup will surely affect a cure—as it has done before in thousands of apparently hopeless cases of lung trouble. New trial bottles, 25c; regular size, 75c. At all druggists.

Ocrasoke Disabled.

The steamer Ocrasoke lost her propeller Tuesday morning when in the vicinity of Housatonic Island. News of the accident was sent to Elizabeth City and a tug boat was sent out to tow steamer back to that place.

On account of this accident there was no steamer arrival yesterday. It will require several days to repair the broken part.

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CONSPIRACY CASE

Against McBee Continued Next Term Wake Court.

Testimony of F. C. Smith, J. W. Hinsdale and Governor Aycock. Defense Introduced no Testimony. Justified Bond \$2,000 Ordered.

Special to Journal.
Raleigh, Mich 15.—At the hearing by Chief Justice Clark of the charge of conspiracy against V. E. McBee and K. S. Finch in procuring the receivership of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railway, Finch was not here.

Many prominent persons were present including Governor Aycock and all State officers. W. W. Clark, attorney for McBee asked ten days postponement. Attorney Gen'l Gilmer and W. O. Monroe associate counsel for the State, opposed, saying evidence was well established. Associate counsel Charles W. Tillett for the State, said no legal reason for delay had been given. Judge Clark so decided. Attorney Clark stated he had advised his client to waive examination, and asked leave to give bond. Judge Clark said bond could only be granted upon admission of probable cause of guilt of the felony, of which McBee stands charged, and asked if Clark admitted this. Clark said he did not.

Attorney General Gilmer thought it the courts duty to proceed with examination of the State witnesses. Clark then withdrew all qualification and admitted probable cause, and again asked for bond without a hearing.

Judge Clark announced evidence would be taken. The first witness was Edward Chambers Smith, the lawyer who sold his 47 shares of stock in the railway at par, \$100 a share, and received Finch's note for it, payable in 90 days. Smith said McBee had first approached him and had known man who wanted to buy stock and later Finch came and took the stock. Attorney John W. Hinsdale, was the star witness for the State, he said W. H. Day, Attorney of McBee and Finch had telephoned him February 20, at night, asking him to go to Day's residence. He found McBee and Day there and was told McBee had made the Governor a bid to lease the road, McBee said he wanted the road properly leased to some body, did not wish to depreciate the property, but effect a lease on the best possible terms for the stockholders.

McBee said large majority of the private stockholders favored a lease, and he knew of no other way to secure this than by a suit in equity, in the Federal Court and a receivership. Finch's name was mentioned as the man to bring suit.

Finch came next day. Hinsdale thought McBee had a prior understanding with him, when preparation of Finch's bill of complaint began he was not a stockholder, expectation was to buy some stock on which to bring suit.

Governor Aycock swore that before February 1st, McBee submitted a bid for the road proposing to build a road from New Bern to Washington, and get a Norfolk connection. February 20th McBee submitted a second proposition, but on the 26th before the Governor considered it, withdrew it and that very day the bill was filed for the receivership. The Governor had stated the minimum bid he would entertain.

On the day the bill was filed Finch and Attorney Hinsdale called on the Governor, saying Finch had come to see about buying some swamp lands, Finch then said he wished the Gov. would lease the railway and asked if three private stockholders wanted to lease it, would the Governor let the State proxy go into the meeting. The Governor said the law required the assent of the State. He asked Finch how much stock he had and Finch said a good deal. The next morning the Governor saw in one newspaper that the bill had been filed by Finch, and the road placed in receiver McBee's hands.

The defense introduced no testimony. The argument began, attorneys Clark and W. S. O. Robinson, speaking for McBee and Charles W. Tillett and Attorney General Gilmer for the State. Judge Clark said the case must go to the next term of Wake Superior court, asked what should be the amount of bond. \$2,000 was suggested the Judge ordered that a justified bond for that amount be filed.

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