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## WHERE DOES CHANGE ADMISTRATION MEAN BETTERMENT?

The opponents of the North Carolina democracy have made various statements of inefficiency on the part of the present administration. It is not a difficult job, this political job of criticism. It takes no genius to be an every day critic, and especially a political critic. There is no business, trade or profession that cannot be improved upon in its promotion or management. There never has been a public official who could fulfill every duty of his office, so as to satisfy even his friends, much less his enemies. Therefore when a party seeks to take charge of affairs, be it in the county, State or nation, it must be able to prove itself to the voters, able, capable and trust worthy, and show that it can improve upon the party which it wishes to displace in office.

Have the opponents of the North Carolina democracy shown any good and sufficient reasons why they should elect their representatives at the polls next Tuesday, November Sixth? No to satisfy any intelligent citizen, who is familiar with men and things in the State. The leadership against the Democrats in the present campaign, is one which will make every voter hesitate to listen to, much less follow. A leader may not be the whole party, but he cannot be a leader unless the party majority, or those in control place him in the leadership. On the stump and in the press, Marion Butler stands in the present campaign as the leader to dictate policies for the State Republicans.

Dissatisfaction may be felt among Democrats on some party measures. But can any person, any voter, any citizen who has lived in North Carolina for the past ten years, believe for an instant, that the betterment can or will come through Marion Butler? Yet, every vote cast for the State Republican ticket, is a vote of endorsement for Marion Butler. It is a plea for the return of Butlerism and Russellism, for no intelligent person can think the present Republican leadership has improved, or has any less personal motive for political success in North Carolina, than had Mr. Butler and Judge Russell ten years ago.

Men want changes. Citizens think an administration needs turning out for a new crowd. Quite often this may be right. But before making radical changes let there be good note taken of those who are to be put in power. It has been estimated the Russell-Butlerism cost North Carolina \$25,000,000. Let us wait a few years longer at least, before making another such loss.

## JURY EFFECT UPON CORPORATION AGGRANDIZEMENT.

The average citizen forgets too easily his individual power, as a factor in the ordering of advancement or correction in the commonwealth. This average citizen will abuse officials in municipal, state and governmental control of affairs. He will roundly curse corporations for their abuse of their powers, which affect his business and ambitions, and seek to put a limit upon his personal desires to advancement and growth.

And yet this same citizen has the power, if intelligently and co-operatively employed with that of his fellow citizens to gain his ends without much cost or trouble. It is the citizen's vote which makes, in co-operation with his fellow citizens, the officials for city, county, state and nation. Does he want new officials? The remedy is his to apply at the first election.

And this same citizen grants franchises and privileges to corporations, and railroad, and then meekly accepts indignity at their hands. He may run around the corner and curse these corporations, but what do they care for

such idle vapourings? Nothing, they just go ahead and assume a complete proprietorship, and treat the laws as best suits their interests, ignoring them if they conflict with their interests.

And as with those elected to public office, so the citizen has a remedy against the corporation that submits him to abuse and indignity. This remedy lies in the courts and in the jury box. And here the average citizen refuses too often to assert his individual rights of citizenship. Law is slow. Court expenses may be heavy. And both of these are made so because corporations have made legislation tedious and costly, and the average citizen will submit to a thousand dollars worth of loss and countless indignities, rather than attempt a righting in the courts, because the railroad or corporation can prolong and wear out those who would attempt to secure their just rights.

But the citizen who does attempt vindication at court, needs the help of his fellow citizen in the jury box. It is here where failure too often comes. The jurymen fails to grasp the chance, to mete out a just punishment upon the corporation, which has abused and thrust indignity upon his fellow citizen, whose case comes before him, the jurymen. But the jurymen weakens. The corporation with its array of lawyers, and manufactured witnesses over awes the jurymen. He fails to grasp his opportunity. The result is no verdict, or one at which the corporation laughs. And the citizen who has given his time and money, to vindicate a principle, leaves court disgusted, and future efforts for citizens to assert their just rights against railroads, or any corporation, are weakened, and the railroad goes ahead—as it pleases, a law unto itself.

## FIRE SERVICE BUT NOT MANDATORY.

The fire of Tuesday night again calls attention to the need of a paid fire department service for the city. The minor fires, such as the burning of some small one story frame building, is not seen except by the few. But such a fire as that which destroyed the Elks corner, or the half block of structures on the Middle street dock, is seen by thousands of citizens, and the estimate of what the fire service is, can be judged.

A voluntary fire department cannot be criticised, because its service is voluntary not paid or mandatory. And it is not that the volunteers of the New Bern fire service lack in enthusiasm or fail to work, but even with this local zeal, it is not business, it is not what is wanted for the preservation of property from fire in this city. For can this volunteer service meet the obligations which are demanded to secure such fire insurance rates, as would be given property owners, under a paid fire department.

If the fire risks of New Bern were to continue as they were fifteen or twenty years ago, with buildings not above three stories, and few of these, and with a limited territory to cover, a volunteer service would do the work. But let any citizen for a minute consider the mills and valuable buildings now in New Bern. The fact that each month new and costly buildings are being contracted for the demand for fire protection through a service that is mandatory, that is under positive orders, and trained specially for fire fighting, can best be realized.

And as to the volunteer service each month finds its members more scattered, and less able to do service, specially during business hours, for few employers will keep an employe who would run from his work at every tap of the fire bell.

What is wanted is a paid fire service in this city, and it is wanted so as to ease at once every risk and extra expense which the purely volunteer service now brings upon every owner of perishable property. And it must be remembered that the saving in fire insurance premiums would pay for the change in fire service.

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## WOMAN'S CLUB.

### Annual Election of Officers-- Meeting Well Attended.

The Woman's Club held its annual meeting yesterday at four o'clock at the Elks Club Rooms. The meeting was well attended and a great deal of interest was manifested in the work for the fall and coming winter. The Club, while young, has already done a great deal and its work and membership increases. The town will be shown its helpfulness and value.

Mrs. F. W. Hughes acted as President owing to the resignation of the former President, Mrs. Blanchard. After the meeting was called to order reports were read from different departments of the Club. Then followed the election of officers for the ensuing year: Mrs. F. W. Hughes, President; Mrs. Owen Guion, Vice-President; Mrs. J. T. Hollister, Reporting Secretary; Mrs. E. K. Bishop, Treasurer; Mrs. David Congdon, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Hughes Holland, Auditor; Mrs. Charles Ives, Reporter.

There were no changes in the office of chairmen in the different departments, each retaining their office of last year, with the exception of Mrs. R. P. Williams, who was chairman of the Village Improvement Department. Mrs. E. W. Rosenthal was elected as chairman to that department. No new by-laws were adopted, the Club agreeing to carry its work along the same lines of the rules and by-laws of last year. But a new department was added, Domestic Science, which will prove to be an important, as well as a most helpful one which has been shown in the history of the Woman's Club. Mrs. Charles Slover was elected chairman of this department. The meetings will be held in the Elks Club Rooms, and it is desired that a full attendance will be given at each and every meeting to carry on successfully the work that is planned for this organization to accomplish.

## LINGERING GOLD

Withstood Other Treatment But Quickly Cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"Last winter I caught a very severe cold which lingered for weeks," says J. Urquhart, of Zephyr, Ontario. "My cough was very dry and harsh. The local dealer recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and guaranteed it, so I gave it a trial. One small bottle of it cured me. I believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to be the best I have ever used." This remedy is for sale by Davis' Pharmacy and F. S. Duffy.

The Mexicans claim to have the finest harbor on the Pacific coast at Manzanillo. About \$3,500,000 (gold) has been spent on it, and \$2,500,000 more is spent in perfecting it.

A Methodist Minister Recommends Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

We have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our home for seven years, and it has always proved to be a reliable remedy. We have found that it would do more than the manufacturers claim for it. It is especially good for croup and whooping cough.

REV. JAMES A. LEWIS, Pastor Milaca, Minn., M. E. Church. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is sold by Davis' Pharmacy and F. S. Duffy.

A Turkish trade has been published ordering the purchase of fifty maxim guns in Germany and countermanding the contemplated order of fifty French Hotchkiss guns.

is a Democrat.  
Editor Journal:

I have been informed that my name appeared in your paper, among others purporting to be on the county republican ticket for corner. This was done with out my knowledge or consent, and serves to show how republican nominations are made. I am a democrat, and desire all democrats to vote for their nominee, Dr. Jones.  
Respectfully,  
J. A. DUGUID, M. D.  
Made Happy for Life.

Great happiness came into the home of S. C. Blair, school superintendent, at St. Albans, Vt., when his little daughter was restored from the dreadful complaint he names. He says: "My little daughter had St. Vitus' Dance, which yielded to no treatment but grew steadily worse until as a last resort we tried Electric Bitters; and I rejoice to say, three bottles effected a complete cure." "Quick, sure cure for nervous complaints, general debility, female weakness, impoverished blood and malaria. Guaranteed by all druggists. Price 50c.

## FIRE EATS UP HALF BLOCK OF BUILDINGS.

The Old Sheet Iron Row on the Market Street Dock Now a Mere Memory.

At 8:15 last night the fire alarm sounded "24" which designated the location of a fire on Middle street, in the vicinity of South Front. It did not require any record look to tell one as he saw the flames bursting out of the iron-clad store occupied by Mr. A. D. Willis that there was a very stubborn fire in progress. It started on the second floor of the store and the dry condition of the joists and rafters made the structure a mere toy for the devouring element to play with.

Once obtaining control the fire chose the easiest channel for its progress. Instead of going up one store at a time, it swept through the upper part of all the stores and had them all going at once. The stock of hay in the Harriett & Spencer building about midway of the block added to the fierceness of the blaze. Such rapid progress did the fire make that it was with difficulty that a quantity of furniture stored in some of the rooms by Mr. Blades was saved, fortunately however, they succeeded in getting it into a safe place. The fire swept on until the whole row to the last one on the dock was swallowed up in the insatiable maw of the fire fiend.

The firemen fought gallantly and every resource at their command was used to get control of the fire. The fire engines were put into service but one was found deficient soon after it fired up and it was released from duty, but the other one gave good results and staid by until the fire was over. The Cutter crew was on hand and rendered valuable assistance. There were eight or more streams of water playing on the fire nearly all the time and the pressure at the water works indicated 80 pounds. The saw mills and the New Bern Cotton Oil mill pumps gave valuable assistance by pumping water into the mains thus relieving the city pumps to considerable extent.

While the attempt to save the burning buildings was futile, the efforts to save neighboring buildings were eminently successful. The J. F. Taylor building and others on the opposite side of the street would surely have been consumed had not streams of water constantly been playing on them. As it was, the vapor arose from the buildings like smoke, which showed how great was their danger. In the rear of the burning buildings was a factory used by T. J. Turner for making mattresses and brooms which was destroyed. However, the flames were well confined to one area and there were few flying embers to catch other buildings on fire. What wind there was blowing was favorable as it came gently from the north fanning the blaze toward the river. The heat was terrific and at one time the people who sat watching the fire on the E. C. D. wharf had to seek other places. The scene made by the reflection of the flames in the sky and on the water was most beautiful and made a view which an artist could faithfully portray.

As to the losses, they are not so heavy to Mr. Blades who owns the entire block as to some of his tenants. The buildings were doomed to be pulled down at no very distant day and their intrinsic value was small.

Following are partial list of losses.  
Spencer and Harriett, loss \$2,500; insurance \$1,000.

A. D. Willis loss \$900; insurance \$500.

J. B. Watrous, loss \$500; no insurance.

T. J. Turner, \$2,500; small insurance.

Unidentified loss approximately \$1,000.

A Good Linctment.

When you need a good reliable linctment try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It has no superior for sprains and swellings. A piece of flannel slightly dampened with Pain Balm is superior to a plaster for a lame back or pains in the side or chest. It also relieves rheumatic pains and makes sleep rest possible. For sale by Davis Pharmacy and F. S. Duffy.

## The Rev. Iri R. Hicks 1907 Almanac

The Rev. Iri R. Hicks has been compelled by the popular demand to resume the publication of his well known and popular Almanac, for 1907. This splendid Almanac is now ready. For sale by newsdealers, or sent postpaid for 25 cents, by Word and Works Publishing Company, 2201 Locust Street, St. Louis Mo., publishers of World and Works, one of the best dollar monthly magazines in America. One Almanac goes with every subscription.

## Egyptian Bazaar.

An Egyptian Bazaar will open at St. Peter's church Monday night, November 5, and continue ten days and will be conducted by the women of the congregation. The decorations of the new lecture rooms, will take on phases of ancient Egypt. The conception is new, and will doubtless prove interesting to those who attend and contribute a handsome profit to the promoters of the enterprise. This church is in a splendid condition of activity.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

## TO BE-ER NOT TO BEER.

The Distinction Between Beer and Beerine Will be a Matter For The Courts to Decide.

Mr. L. J. Taylor was on trial before Mayor Patterson yesterday on the charge of selling beer without the payment of the license. Mr. J. S. Miller who keeps a store on Griffith street and police officers Howard, Bryan and Montague were the witnesses for the state. Mr. Miller testified that he had bought bottled goods of Mr. Taylor in their beerine was included. The officers stated that they had taken a bottle out of Mr. Miller's store which was labelled beerine but which was in their opinion genuine lager beer.

Mr. Taylor testified in his own behalf that he made and sold a beverage known as beerine. It was meant to be a substitute and as much like beer as possible without having any alcohol or the percentage of alcohol. He stated that the "stock" of beerine was lager beer and that his stock of beer was kept for that purpose but that he did not have it for general sale. The proportion of lager beer in the mixture in question was 14 parts to 1 of beerine extract with carbonized water. The amount of alcohol is estimated at one half of one percent. The prosecution which is backed by the anti saloon League was represented by D. E. Henderson, and Mr. Taylor's attorney was W. D. McIver. The defendant was bound over to court under the sum of \$200.

## Famous Strike Breakers.

The most famous strike breakers in the land are Dr. King's New Life Pills. When liver and bowels go on strike, they quickly settle the trouble, and the purifying work goes right on. Best cure for constipation, headache and dizziness. 25c at all drug stores.

## High Praise for New Bern Man.

In a recent number of the Charlotte Observer there was a long and well written article by Mr. C. S. Wooten, of LaGrange, whose ability as a writer has long been known. He tells of great men who were natives of this State, who thrilled the people with their eloquence and logic. He cites Henry Miller, H. T. Dortch, Jud es, Battle, Pearson, Ruffin and Gaston. Speaking of Hon. C. C. Clark, of this city, he says: "I regard Clark as the finest orator in the state. He is larger than Miller and has a grander and more impressive appearance but is not as good an elocutionist. Clark is eloquent, cultured, grand and majestic. If he were fifteen years younger he would fill a seat in the United States Senate with more grace and dignity than any man we have. In private conversation he is charming and I have listened to him for hours with profit and interest to myself."

## PILES! PILES! PILES!

Dr. Williams' Indian Pile Ointment will cure Blind, Bleeding, Ulcerated and Itching Piles. It absorbs the tumors, relays the itching at once, acts as a rubric, gives instant relief. Dr. Williams' Indian Pile Ointment is prepared for Piles and Itching of the private parts. Every box is guaranteed. Sold by druggists, by mail, for 50c and \$1.00. Sold by D. A. Harget.

## The One Woman.

The One Woman, the newest Dixon play, is running The Clansman a very close race in the matter of receipts on its Southern tour. Ever since the One Woman Company opened its season it has been playing to standing room only and in every town where this new play has appeared the manager of the theatre has requested a return date. Under the personal direction of Thomas Dixon, Jr., The One Woman Company will appear at the New Masonic Opera House Friday evening November 2, in this splendid metropolitan cast appears but one night only early arrangements should be made for tickets. In the other cities where The One Woman has played this year many have been disappointed in their seats by not making early reservations. The seats are on sale at Waters' Store and Kafer's Bakery.

## CASTORIA.

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Forty years ago the Marquis of Bath placed three lily roots in the lake of his estate at Longlet. Now the lilies occupy the water for three-quarters of a mile, and have proved such a tenacious nuisance that the whole lake will have to be drained and dredged to get rid of them.

## A Year of Blood.

The year 1903 will long be remembered in the home of F. N. Tackett, of Alliance, Ky., as a year of blood; which flowed so copiously from Mr. Tackett's lungs that death seemed very near. He writes "Severe bleeding from the lungs and a frightful cough had brought me at death's door, when I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, with the astonishing result that after taking four bottles I was completely restored and as time has proven permanently cured." Guaranteed for sore lungs, coughs and colds. For sale at all drug stores. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

Consult John N. Euffin, who advised that Paraguay's agricultural expedition, which was to have been opened at Ann Arbor last May, has been postponed until December 10, and will remain open until January 15, 1907.

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